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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; establishing grant programs for career and technical
1.3 education needs; appropriating money.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION EQUIPMENT GRANTS.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. Grant program established. A grant program is established to support
1.7 school districts in providing career and technical education programs. Grants must be used
1.8 to purchase equipment for career and technical education classes.

1.9 Subd. 2. Application. The commissioner of education shall develop the form and method
1.10 for applying for the grants. The commissioner shall develop criteria for determining the
1.11 allocation of the grants to achieve an equitable distribution based on need.

1.12 Subd. 3. Grant awards. Grant funding under this section must be split equally between
1.13 school districts with any portion of their territory within the seven-county metropolitan area
1.14 and all other school districts.

1.15 Subd. 4. Reports. (a) School districts that receive grant funds shall report to the
1.16 commissioner of education no later than November 1 of each year following the grant receipt
1.17 regarding equipment that was purchased with grant program funds.

1.18 (b) By February 1, 2021, the Department of Education shall submit an interim report on
1.19 the program to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade
1.20 12 policy and finance. The interim report must include:

1.21 (1) the method and accompanying rationale for how need was determined; and

2.1 (2) which districts received money in the first year of the program and for what purpose
 2.2 the grants were used.

2.3 (c) By February 1, 2022, the Department of Education must submit a final report on the
 2.4 program to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12
 2.5 policy and finance. The final report must include:

2.6 (1) any changes to the method for how need was determined;

2.7 (2) which districts received money in the first year of the program and for what purpose
 2.8 the grants were used;

2.9 (3) the ongoing necessity of the grant program; and

2.10 (4) any recommended changes to the program if it continues.

2.11 **Sec. 2. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION STAFFING GRANTS.**

2.12 Subdivision 1. **Grant program established.** A grant program is established to support
 2.13 school districts in providing career and technical education programs. Grants must be used
 2.14 to hire instructional staff for career and technical education classes.

2.15 Subd. 2. **Application.** The commissioner of education shall develop the form and method
 2.16 for applying for the grants. The commissioner shall develop criteria for determining the
 2.17 allocation of the grants to achieve an equitable distribution based on need.

2.18 Subd. 3. **Grant awards.** Grant funding under this section must be split equally between
 2.19 school districts with any portion of their territory within the seven-county metropolitan area
 2.20 and all other school districts.

2.21 Subd. 4. **Reports.** (a) School districts that receive grant funds shall report to the
 2.22 commissioner of education no later than November 1 of each year following the grant receipt
 2.23 regarding new staff that were hired with grant program funds.

2.24 (b) By February 1, 2021, the Department of Education shall submit an interim report on
 2.25 the program to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade
 2.26 12 policy and finance. The interim report must include:

2.27 (1) the method and accompanying rationale for how need was determined; and

2.28 (2) which districts received money in the first year of the program and for what purpose
 2.29 the grants were used.

3.1 (c) By February 1, 2022, the Department of Education shall submit a final report on the
3.2 program to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12
3.3 policy and finance. The final report must include:

3.4 (1) any changes to the method for how need was determined;

3.5 (2) which districts received money in the first year of the program and for what purpose
3.6 the grants were used;

3.7 (3) the ongoing necessity of the grant program; and

3.8 (4) any recommended changes to the program if it continues.

3.9 **Sec. 3. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INNOVATION GRANTS.**

3.10 Subdivision 1. **Grant program established.** A grant program is established to support
3.11 school districts in providing career and technical education programs. Grants must be used
3.12 to innovate delivery methods of career and technical education programs.

3.13 Subd. 2. **Application.** The commissioner of education shall develop the form and method
3.14 for applying for the grants. The commissioner shall develop criteria for determining the
3.15 allocation of the grants to achieve an equitable distribution based on need.

3.16 Subd. 3. **Grant awards.** Grant funding under this section must be split equally between
3.17 school districts with any portion of their territory within the seven-county metropolitan area
3.18 and all other school districts.

3.19 Subd. 4. **Reports.** (a) School districts that receive grant funds shall report to the
3.20 commissioner of education no later than November 1 of each year following the grant receipt
3.21 regarding the innovations that were implemented with grant program funds.

3.22 (b) By February 1, 2021, the Department of Education shall submit an interim report on
3.23 the program to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade
3.24 12 policy and finance. The interim report must include:

3.25 (1) the method and accompanying rationale for how need was determined; and

3.26 (2) which districts received money in the first year of the program and for what purpose
3.27 the grants were used.

3.28 (c) By February 1, 2022, the Department of Education shall submit a final report on the
3.29 program to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12
3.30 policy and finance. The final report must include:

3.31 (1) any changes to the method for how need was determined;

4.1 (2) which districts received money in the first year of the program and for what purpose
4.2 the grants were used;

4.3 (3) the ongoing necessity of the grant program; and

4.4 (4) any recommended changes to the program if it continues.

4.5 Sec. 4. **APPROPRIATION.**

4.6 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sums indicated in this section are
4.7 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years
4.8 designated.

4.9 Subd. 2. Equipment grants. For career and technical education equipment grants under
4.10 section 1:

4.11 \$ 10,000,000 2020

4.12 \$ 10,000,000 2021

4.13 Subd. 3. Staffing grants. For career and technical education staffing grants under section
4.14 2:

4.15 \$ 4,000,000 2020

4.16 \$ 4,000,000 2021

4.17 Subd. 4. Innovation grants. For career and technical education innovation grants under
4.18 section 3:

4.19 \$ 2,000,000 2020

4.20 \$ 2,000,000 2021