

State of Minnesota

H. F. No. **1063**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Reform

2.1 (5) have at least 90 percent of clients that receive doula services have health care coverage
2.2 through medical assistance; and

2.3 (6) ensure that providers of birth support services are also trained in mental health
2.4 support.

2.5 Subd. 3. **Services.** Grant funds disbursed under this section must be used to fund:

2.6 (1) doula services and birth support services;

2.7 (2) home visiting services;

2.8 (3) costs related to office visits to a health care provider;

2.9 (4) one-to-one and group prenatal education services;

2.10 (5) costs related to linking clients to other community resources; and

2.11 (6) mental health support services.

2.12 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; GRANT PROGRAM FOR CULTURALLY**
2.13 **APPROPRIATE BIRTH SUPPORT AND DOULA SERVICES.**

2.14 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$250,000 in fiscal year 2019 are appropriated from the
2.15 general fund to the commissioner of health for grants to eligible organizations to provide
2.16 culturally appropriate birth support services and doula services to pregnant women who are
2.17 Black, of African descent, or from indigenous backgrounds in order to lower birth disparities
2.18 in these communities. The commissioner may use up to six percent of the appropriation for
2.19 administration. This is a onetime appropriation.