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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

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A bill for an act

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relating to public safety; appropriating money for a grant for legal representation

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of children in need of protection or services or in foster care.

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

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Section 1. APPROPRIATION; LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF CHILDREN.

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\$500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the

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commissioner of public safety for a grant to an organization that provides legal

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representation to children in need of protection or services and children in out-of-home

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placement. The grant is contingent upon a match in an equal amount from nonstate

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funds. The match may be in kind, including the value of volunteer attorney time, or in

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cash, or in a combination of the two. This appropriation is added to the base for the

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Office of Justice Programs.