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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce and Business Development Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to workforce development; appropriating money for workforce training in Owatonna and Steele counties.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

\$275,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$275,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to Workforce Development, Inc. to provide career education, wraparound support services, and job skills training in high-demand manufacturing fields to low-income parents, nonnative speakers of English, and other hard-to-train individuals, helping families build secure pathways out of poverty while also addressing worker shortages in the Owatonna and Steele County area. Funds may be used for program expenses, including but not limited to hiring instructors and navigators; space rental; and supportive services to help participants attend classes, including assistance with course fees, child care, transportation, and safe and stable housing. In addition, up to five percent of grant funds may be used for Workforce Development, Inc.'s administrative costs. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2023.

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