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A bill for an act
relating to economic development; appropriating money for an energy sector
jobs initiative.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **ENERGY SECTOR JOBS INITIATIVE.**

- (a) The commissioner of employment and economic development shall implement an energy sector jobs initiative focusing on maximizing job opportunities in the energy sector.
- (b) In implementing the initiative, the commissioner shall, in consultation with the Minnesota Energy Center:
- (1) analyze the jobs demand in the energy sector over the next ten years;
- (2) identify the training needs for jobs in the energy sector;
- (3) provide a breakdown of the current minority employment levels in the energy sector; and
- (4) develop a plan for increasing minority participation.
- (c) The commissioner shall partner with an outside organization that has received previous funding from the commissioner to conduct a detailed feasibility analysis for development of the multipurpose training facility focused on the energy sector to be located in a designated federal Promise Zone within one-half mile of current or planned regional transit routes.

Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

\$..... in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development to implement the energy sector jobs initiative in section 1.