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H. F. No. 4618

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy
03/30/2022 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; providing grants to nursing facilities; appropriating
1.3 money.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; NURSING FACILITY GRANTS.

1.6 (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.7 of human services for grants to nursing facilities. This is a onetime appropriation.

1.8 (b) To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, a nursing facility must apply to
1.9 the commissioner on the forms and according to the timelines established by the
1.10 commissioner. The commissioner must develop an expedited application process that
1.11 includes a form allowing applicants to meet the requirements of this section in as timely a
1.12 manner as possible. The commissioner must allow the use of electronic submission of
1.13 application forms and accept electronic signatures.

1.14 (c) An eligible nursing facility must receive a grant in an amount equal to half of the
1.15 facility's estimated lost revenue from March 15, 2020, to January 31, 2022.

1.16 (d) A nursing facility must attest to the commissioner that the grant money will be used
1.17 to:

1.18 (1) pay down debt accrued from March 15, 2020, to January 31, 2022;

1.19 (2) pay for steps taken to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; or

1.20 (3) hire or retain staff.

2.1 (e) A nursing facility that receives a grant under this section must prepare, and submit
2.2 to the commissioner upon request, a plan that specifies the total amount of grant money the
2.3 facility expects to receive and how that money will be used to meet the requirements of
2.4 paragraph (d).

2.5 (f) The commissioner must not treat grant money received under this section as an
2.6 applicable credit for the purposes of setting total payment rates under Minnesota Statutes,
2.7 chapter 256R.