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# State of Minnesota

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

# H. F. No. 3791

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Health and Human Services Finance Division  
03/05/2020 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Long-Term Care Division

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to human services; establishing a onetime grant for a pilot project to serve
- 1.3 victims of elder abuse; appropriating money.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **SANCTUARY SERVICES PILOT PROJECT.**
- 1.6 Subdivision 1. **Authorization.** The commissioner of human services must award up to
- 1.7 four grants from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2023, to organizations operating nursing homes
- 1.8 licensed under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144A, or assisted living facilities licensed under
- 1.9 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144G, to develop and implement sanctuary services pilot
- 1.10 projects.
- 1.11 Subd. 2. **Pilot project design.** A sanctuary services pilot project must develop and
- 1.12 implement:
- 1.13 (1) a proven safe care shelter system located within a nursing home or assisted living
- 1.14 facility to serve the surrounding community;
- 1.15 (2) programming and services, including advocacy, case management, and legal services,
- 1.16 either directly or through partnership with other organizations, that directly aid older adults
- 1.17 experiencing abuse and neglect;
- 1.18 (3) staff and consumer training relating to the prevention and identification of elder
- 1.19 abuse and neglect and the care of older adults experiencing abuse or neglect;
- 1.20 (4) a public awareness campaign to increase awareness and educate surrounding
- 1.21 communities and the state on elder abuse and neglect; and

(5) a public awareness campaign to increase awareness and educate surrounding communities and the state on resources available to serve older adults experiencing abuse and neglect.

Subd. 3. **Evaluation and report.** By January 1, 2021, and annually thereafter for two additional years, the grantee must report to the commissioner of human services on the impact and outcomes of the sanctuary services pilot project. At a minimum, each report must include:

(1) demographic information on the individuals receiving shelter, programming, or services;

(2) referral source for shelter, programming, or services;

(3) types of abuse experienced by older adults referred to the grantee for shelter, programming, or services;

(4) the alleged perpetrator's relationship to the older adult referred to the grantee for shelter, programming, or services;

(5) the number of training events funded by the grant;

(6) the number of organizations and individuals participating in the grantee's training program;

(7) the number of awareness and outreach events;

(8) the number of organizations and individuals participating in the grantee's awareness and outreach events; and

(9) evaluations of social media, marketing, and targeted communication activities.

Subd. 4. **Expiration.** This section expires upon the submission by the grantee of the final report required under subdivision 3. The commissioner of human services must notify the revisor of statutes when the final report is received.

**Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION; SANCTUARY SERVICES PILOT PROJECT.**

\$1,092,422 in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for grants to fund the nondirect care staffing costs of sanctuary services pilot projects. The general fund base for this appropriation is \$1,092,422 in fiscal year 2022, \$1,092,422 in fiscal year 2023, and \$0 in fiscal year 2024.