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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; authorizing grants to cities of the first class to acquire
1.3 and deploy technology to detect gunshots; providing for a report; appropriating
1.4 money.

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

1.6 Section 1. **GUNSHOT DETECTION SYSTEM; APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 (a) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.8 commissioner of public safety for grants to cities of the first class to improve the detection
1.9 of incidents involving gunfire and facilitate a rapid response to those incidents. The
1.10 commissioner may award grants to cities of the first class that do not already have this
1.11 technology. The maximum amount of a grant under this section is \$500,000. This is a
1.12 onetime appropriation.

1.13 (b) Money appropriated under paragraph (a) may be used to:

1.14 (1) purchase technology systems, including portable devices, that detect outdoor audible
1.15 gunfire within a specific coverage area using acoustic sensors that accurately pinpoint the
1.16 location of the gunfire; and

1.17 (2) obtain and maintain software that allows peace officers to receive an alert on a mobile
1.18 computer, smartphone, or tablet indicating the address of the gunfire, the time frame in
1.19 which shots were fired, the number of shots fired, and any other available information.

1.20 (c) By January 15, 2023, the commissioner shall report to the chairs and ranking minority
1.21 members of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over criminal justice policy and

- 2.1 funding on the grant program. At a minimum, the report must identify the recipients of the
- 2.2 grants, the amount of the grants, and how the grant money was spent.