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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. F. No. 617

A bill for an act

relating to early childhood programs; appropriating money for the ParentChild+

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Early Childhood Finance and Policy

program. 1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.4 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; PARENTCHILD+ PROGRAM. 1.5 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sums indicated in this section are 1.6 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education in the fiscal years 1.7 designated. 1.8 Subd. 2. **ParentChild+ program.** For a grant to the ParentChild+ program: 1.9 \$ 1,500,000 2022 1.10 \$ 1,500,000 2023 1.11 1.12 The ParentChild+ program must use the grant to implement its evidence-based and research-validated early childhood literacy and school readiness program for children ages 1.13 16 months to four years. The program must be implemented at existing ParentChild+ program 1.14 locations, including Cass County, Hennepin County, and Rice County, and the cities of 1.15

Rochester and St. Cloud, or at any new rural, suburban, or urban locations.

Section 1.