

A bill for an act
relating to employment and economic development; funding employment
support services for persons with mental illness; appropriating money.

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

Section 1. **EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT.**

(a) The commissioner of employment and economic development shall fund special
projects providing employment support to:

(1) young people with mental illness who are transitioning from school to work;

(2) people with a serious mental illness who are receiving services through a mental
health court; and

(3) people with serious mental illness who are receiving services through a civil
commitment court.

(b) Projects under paragraph (a) must demonstrate interagency collaboration.

Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

(a) \$..... is appropriated for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, from the general
fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development to fund special
projects focused on providing employment support under section 1.

(b) \$..... is appropriated for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, from the general
fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development specifically for the
extended employment program for persons with severe disabilities under Minnesota
Statutes, section 268A.15.