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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; establishing sexual violence prevention demonstration
1.3 partnership grants; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION DEMONSTRATION
1.6 PARTNERSHIP GRANTS.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Definition. As used in this section, "community sexual violence
1.8 prevention partnership" is an alliance of local governments, colleges and universities,
1.9 school districts, and nonprofit, civic, and business groups organized for the purpose of
1.10 sexual violence prevention, including, but not exclusive to, entities with experience in
1.11 public health, health, criminal justice, judiciary, corrections, or victim services.

1.12 Subd. 2. Community sexual violence prevention partnership demonstration
1.13 grants. (a) The commissioner of health shall award competitive grants to community
1.14 health boards established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 145A.09, and tribal
1.15 governments to fund partnerships. The commissioner shall award up to five grants per
1.16 year, taking into account geographic balance.

1.17 (b) Grants may be used for the following activities:
1.18 (1) improving the coordination of existing programs, services, and activities that
1.19 support sexual violence prevention;

1.20 (2) initiating new programs, services, and activities that support sexual violence
1.21 prevention;

1.22 (3) supporting outreach, education, and technical assistance for other localities
1.23 seeking to undertake similar programs, services, and activities; and

1.24 (4) supporting the reporting and evaluation of sexual violence.

2.1 Grant recipients shall give priority consideration to the immediate and long-term benefits  
2.2 of reducing the impact of sexual violence on children and youth.

2.3 (c) To receive a grant under this section, community health boards and tribal  
2.4 governments must:

2.5 (1) submit proposals to the commissioner;

2.6 (2) collaborate with one or more local nonprofit or government agencies that receive  
2.7 sexual assault advocate grants from the Department of Public Safety Office of Justice  
2.8 Programs;

2.9 (3) demonstrate that grant activities are:

2.10 (i) based on evidence informed by research and professional best practices for sexual  
2.11 violence prevention;

2.12 (ii) based on assessment of community sexual violence prevention need and capacity;

2.13 (iii) based on community input; and

2.14 (iv) consistent with the Department of Health Five-Year Sexual Violence Prevention  
2.15 Plan; and

2.16 (4) provide a local match of ten percent of the total funding allocation.

2.17 The local match may include grants or donations from federal or private entities expressly  
2.18 for the purposes of this grant.

2.19 (d) The commissioner may award grants under this section to a community health  
2.20 board or tribal government for a term of up to, but not to exceed, 60 consecutive months,  
2.21 based upon the availability of state or federal funds to support the purposes of these grants.

2.22 Subd. 3. **Technical assistance.** The commissioner shall contract with private or  
2.23 nonprofit providers to deliver technical assistance services to grant recipients.

2.24 **Sec. 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.25 \$750,000 each year is appropriated to the commissioner of health to fund community  
2.26 sexual violence prevention partnership demonstration grants. The commissioner may  
2.27 use up to six percent of this appropriation for administration and up to six percent of  
2.28 this appropriation for technical assistance.