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A bill for an act

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relating to health; establishing a targeted grant program to address outbreaks of

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vaccine-preventable diseases; appropriating money.

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

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Section 1. **TARGETED GRANT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS OUTBREAKS OF**

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VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES.

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Subdivision 1. **Grant program established.** The commissioner of health must establish

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and administer a two-year, targeted grant program to fund vaccination-related activities to

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lower the risk of outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases, including but not limited to

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measles, in communities with low vaccination rates. Grant funds must be used for activities

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in geographic areas or populations experiencing or at risk of experiencing an outbreak of a

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vaccine-preventable disease due to low vaccination rates.

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Subd. 2. **Eligible grant recipients.** Entities eligible for a grant under this section are

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community health boards as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 145A.02, subdivision

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5, and community-based nonprofit organizations experienced in serving geographic areas

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or populations with low vaccination rates.

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Subd. 3. **Application.** An entity seeking a grant under this section must apply to the

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commissioner in a form and manner established by the commissioner. The application must

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include a description of the activities proposed by the entity, the geographic area or

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population to be served, the amount of funding sought, and a proposed budget detailing

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how the funds will be spent.

2.1 Subd. 4. **Allowable uses of grant funds.** Grant recipients must use grant funds for
2.2 vaccine information, education, and awareness activities; for activities to address vaccine
2.3 misinformation; and to assist individuals in obtaining vaccines. The information, education,
2.4 and activities must be culturally appropriate for the area or population being served.

2.5 Subd. 5. **Development of information and education materials.** The commissioner
2.6 must develop or provide grant recipients with culturally appropriate information and
2.7 educational materials on vaccines based on materials available from the Centers for Disease
2.8 Control and Prevention. The information and educational materials must be available in the
2.9 primary languages of populations experiencing or at risk of experiencing a
2.10 vaccine-preventable disease outbreak and must at least address:

2.11 (1) the benefits of vaccines to individuals and communities;

2.12 (2) health information about the safety of vaccines;

2.13 (3) recommended vaccine schedules for children, adolescents, and adults;

2.14 (4) programs that provide free or reduced-cost vaccines to eligible individuals; and

2.15 (5) health clinics, health care providers, and other locations where vaccines may be
2.16 obtained.

2.17 **Sec. 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.18 \$..... in fiscal year 2026 and \$..... in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general
2.19 fund to the commissioner of health for a targeted grant program to address outbreaks of
2.20 vaccine-preventable diseases. This is a onetime appropriation.