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NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

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6362 Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Education Finance

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to education finance; appropriating money for public access automated  
1.3 external defibrillator smart monitored cabinets; requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; FAITH'S LAW "SAVE A LIFE" SAFETY  
1.6 PROGRAM.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sum indicated in this section is  
1.8 appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of education for the fiscal year  
1.9 designated.

1.10 Subd. 2. Smart monitored public access safety cabinets on school grounds. (a) For  
1.11 a grant to the Minnesota State High School League for school districts to purchase, install,  
1.12 and operate smart monitored public access safety cabinets on school grounds:

1.13 \$ 6,500,000 ..... 2027

1.14 (b) Grant money must be used to purchase and install up to 1,400 smart monitored public  
1.15 access safety cabinets, at a cost of \$4,500 per unit. The smart monitored safety cabinets  
1.16 include fully connected automated external defibrillator (AED) units with quick rescue that  
1.17 is integrated into 911 call centers, an American Heart Association kit to stop bleeding,  
1.18 naloxone, four years of AED smart monitoring and full maintenance, and miscellaneous  
1.19 accessories and actions in an AED package program supplied by Power to Save a Life,  
1.20 Advocates for Health, AED Smart Monitoring LLC, Avive Real Connect AED, or their  
1.21 equivalents. The AED units must be installed on school grounds, and must comply with  
1.22 public access AED requirements in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 403.51.

2.1 (c) The Minnesota State High School League must administer the grant program in  
2.2 conjunction with the Department of Education. The Minnesota State High School League  
2.3 must select school districts, charter schools, or Tribal contract schools as grant award  
2.4 recipients from applicants that agree to the following:

2.5 (1) each AED unit purchased with grant money must be located outdoors or in an indoor  
2.6 facility that is always publicly accessible;

2.7 (2) the local, state, or federal agency that administers the land on which the AED unit  
2.8 is located must agree to the specific location where it is placed;

2.9 (3) the grant recipient must provide for the operation and maintenance of the AED unit  
2.10 for four years from installation without seeking additional state or local funding;

2.11 (4) the grant recipient must install, operate, and maintain the AED unit in a manner that  
2.12 accounts for typical weather and temperature conditions and ensures reliable operation in  
2.13 those conditions; and

2.14 (5) the grant recipient is responsible for compliance with the applicable requirements  
2.15 of Minnesota Statutes, section 403.51.

2.16 (d) Each year for the four year availability of the appropriation, \$50,000 is available for  
2.17 the Minnesota State High School League to administer the grant. The Minnesota State High  
2.18 School League must coordinate with school districts, charter schools, and Tribal contract  
2.19 schools to seek sponsorships, additional public or nonpublic funds, or in-kind contributions.

2.20 (e) By October 1, 2026, the Minnesota State High School League must begin accepting  
2.21 school district applications for installation of smart monitored public access safety cabinets  
2.22 on school grounds and determine the per district allocation of grant money.

2.23 (f) By October 1, 2027, the Minnesota State High School League must report to the  
2.24 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over  
2.25 kindergarten through grade 12 education on the grants awarded to school districts, money  
2.26 allocated to each recipient district, and number of AED units installed. The report must be  
2.27 filed in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 3.195.

2.28 (g) This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2030.