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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Development

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to Organization
1.3 of Liberians in Minnesota.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; ORGANIZATION OF LIBERIANS IN MINNESOTA.

1.6 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the workforce development fund to
1.7 the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the Organization
1.8 of Liberians in Minnesota (OLM) for a workforce development training program for
1.9 Minnesota residents, prioritizing Black, Indigenous, and people of color communities and
1.10 Liberian residents in health care and industrial trades. OLM shall serve as the lead
1.11 administrator, coordinating with accredited training providers, community colleges,
1.12 employers, and government partners to deliver sector-focused training and credential
1.13 attainment. Money may be used for participant stipends, tuition, fees, training materials,
1.14 equipment, credentialing exams, and supportive services such as transportation and child
1.15 care. The program shall aim for credential attainment and job placement within six months
1.16 of completion, with annual progress reports outlining enrollment, credentials earned, and
1.17 placements. The base for this appropriation is \$250,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$0 in fiscal
1.18 year 2029.