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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce and Business Development Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for the nonprofit
1.3 infrastructure grant program.

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

1.5 Section 1. NONPROFIT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM;
1.6 APPROPRIATION.

1.7 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from
1.8 the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic
1.9 development for a grant to Propel Nonprofits to provide capacity-building grants and related
1.10 technical assistance to small, culturally specific organizations that primarily serve historically
1.11 underserved cultural communities. Propel Nonprofits may only award grants to nonprofit
1.12 organizations that have an annual organizational budget of less than \$500,000. These grants
1.13 may be used for:

1.14 (1) organizational infrastructure improvements, including developing database
1.15 management systems and financial systems, or other administrative needs that increase the
1.16 organization's ability to access new funding sources;

1.17 (2) organizational workforce development, including hiring culturally competent staff,
1.18 training and skills development, and other methods of increasing staff capacity; or

1.19 (3) creating or expanding partnerships with existing organizations that have specialized
1.20 expertise in order to increase capacity of the grantee organization to improve services to
1.21 the community.

- 2.1 Of this amount, up to five percent may be used by Propel Nonprofits for administrative
- 2.2 costs.