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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; appropriating money for a grant for legal representation
1.3 of children in need of protection or services or in foster care.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF CHILDREN.**

1.6 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.7 commissioner of public safety for a grant to an organization that provides legal
1.8 representation to children in need of protection or services and children in out-of-home
1.9 placement. The grant is contingent upon a match in an equal amount from nonstate
1.10 funds. The match may be in kind, including the value of volunteer attorney time, or in
1.11 cash, or in a combination of the two. This appropriation is added to the base for the
1.12 Office of Justice Programs.