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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

H. F. No. 3254

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; providing a grant to the St. Cloud Area School
1.3 District for a preschool pilot program for low-income students and English
1.4 language learners; appropriating money.

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

1.6 Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

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

1.10 Subd. 2. St. Cloud preschool pilot program. For a grant to the St. Cloud Area
1.11 School District, Independent School District No. 742, to establish a preschool pilot
1.12 program targeting low-income students and English language learners.

1.13 \$ 430,000 2017

1.14 Funds appropriated in this section are to be used to create morning and afternoon
1.15 preschool sections, each consisting of 15 low-income students and English language
1.16 learners at a ratio of ten English language learners to five English-speaking students,
1.17 at three elementary schools. The funds appropriated under this section may be used to
1.18 purchase developmentally appropriate furniture and materials, instructional materials, and
1.19 curriculum materials; hire and train teachers and staff; and offset transportation costs.
1.20 All funds do not expire and carry forward.