

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to early childhood education; increasing appropriations for the Head
1.3 Start program; appropriating money.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; HEAD START.**

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

1.9 Subd. 2. Head Start. For Head Start programs under Minnesota Statutes, sections
1.10 119A.50 to 119A.545:

1.11 \$ 19,000,000 2008

1.12 \$ 19,000,000 2009

1.13 Up to 20 percent of the funds appropriated annually may be used to provide grants
1.14 to local Head Start agencies to provide funds for innovative programs designed either
1.15 to target Head Start resources to particular at-risk groups of children or to provide
1.16 services in addition to those currently allowable under federal Head Start regulations.
1.17 The commissioner must award funds for innovative programs under this paragraph on a
1.18 competitive basis.

1.19 This appropriation is in addition to the agency's base.