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02/28/2022	5145	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Higher Education Finance and Policy
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A bill for an act

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relating to education finance; creating a grant program to provide funding for a

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onetime payment for any teacher with an educational loan; appropriating money;

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amending Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement, section 136A.1791, by adding a

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subdivision.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement, section 136A.1791, is amended by adding

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a subdivision to read:

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Subd. 5a. **Onetime loan forgiveness for teachers.** (a) In addition to the amounts in

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subdivision 5, any teacher, whether or not the teacher is in a license shortage area, may

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submit an application for a onetime payment not to exceed \$2,000 for qualified educational

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loan forgiveness. The teacher must apply for the loan forgiveness grant in the form and

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manner specified by the commissioner.

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(b) This subdivision expires June 30, 2024.

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Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; TEACHER LOAN FORGIVENESS.**

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Subdivision 1. **Department of Education.** The sum indicated in this section is

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appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education in the fiscal year

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designated.

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Subd. 2. **Teacher loan forgiveness.** (a) For transfer to the teacher shortage loan

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repayment account in the special revenue fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.1791,

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subdivision 8, administered by the Office of Higher Education:

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\$ 2023

2.1 (b) This is a onetime appropriation.