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## State of Minnesota

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **1440**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy  
02/27/2023 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to housing; appropriating money for the family homeless prevention and  
1.3 assistance program; requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

1.6 (a) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the Housing  
1.7 Finance Agency for transfer to the housing development fund for the family homeless  
1.8 prevention and assistance program under Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204. This  
1.9 appropriation is onetime. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2025. Notwithstanding  
1.10 procurement provisions outlined in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16C, the agency may award  
1.11 up to \$50,000,000 of this amount in fiscal year 2023 to existing program grantees. The  
1.12 agency shall make best efforts to spend the appropriation by June 30, 2024.

1.13 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204, subdivision 5, qualified  
1.14 families may receive more than 24 months of rental assistance.

1.15 (c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204, subdivision 3, a  
1.16 community-based nonprofit organization without a sponsoring resolution may apply for  
1.17 and receive grants outside the metropolitan area.

1.18 (d) If the agency determines that the metropolitan area is in need of additional support  
1.19 to serve households that are homeless or at risk of homelessness, the agency may grant  
1.20 funds to entities other than counties in the metropolitan area, including but not limited to  
1.21 nonprofit organizations.

2.1 (e) When multiple grantees operate in a given geographic area, grantees may work with  
2.2 either an advisory committee as required under Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204,  
2.3 subdivision 6, or the local continuum of care and are not required to meet the requirements  
2.4 of Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204, subdivision 4.

2.5 (f) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the funds may be used for program costs  
2.6 necessary to decrease risk of homelessness and improve the effectiveness of the program,  
2.7 as determined by the agency.

2.8 (g) The report required under Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204, subdivision 7, shall  
2.9 also be submitted by each grantee to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
2.10 legislative committees having jurisdiction over housing.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.