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- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to housing; establishing a temporary emergency rental assistance program;
- 1.3 appropriating money.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; COVID-19 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE**
- 1.6 **PROGRAM.**
- 1.7 (a) \$330,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is appropriated from the state fiscal recovery federal
- 1.8 fund to the commissioner of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to provide emergency
- 1.9 rental assistance under this section. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until
- 1.10 June 30, 2022. For the purposes of this section, "state fiscal recovery federal fund" means
- 1.11 funds received by the state from the state fiscal recovery fund in the American Rescue Plan
- 1.12 Act, Public Law 117-2.
- 1.13 (b) The commissioner may use funds under this section to continue operation of the
- 1.14 RentHelpMN rental assistance program authorized under the federal Consolidated
- 1.15 Appropriations Act, 2021, Public Law 116-260, and the federal American Rescue Plan Act,
- 1.16 2021, Public Law 117-2. Rental assistance shall be disbursed pursuant to the RentHelpMN
- 1.17 program guidelines in effect on January 28, 2022. The commissioner shall spend not more
- 1.18 than ten percent of the amount appropriated under this section for administrative costs
- 1.19 attributable to providing financial assistance.
- 1.20 (c) A landlord may not bring an eviction action against a tenant for the nonpayment of
- 1.21 rent or proceed with an eviction action for nonpayment of rent if one has already been filed,
- 1.22 if the tenant demonstrates the tenant has a pending application for rental assistance under

- 2.1 this section, until the commissioner makes a determination on the application for rental
- 2.2 assistance or June 1, 2022, whichever is first.