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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to health; appropriating funds for children's school-linked mental health grants.

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

Section 1. <u>APPROPRIATION</u>; <u>CHILDREN'S SCHOOL-LINKED MENTAL</u> HEALTH GRANTS.

\$...... in fiscal year 2022 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for children's school-linked mental health services. This appropriation is added to the base. At least 25 percent of the new funding shall be targeted to providers that can serve schools that have the highest percentage of special education students categorized as having an emotional and behavioral disorder (EBD) or high poverty. The commissioner shall ensure that grants are distributed to rural and urban counties. The commissioner shall require grantees to use all available third-party reimbursement sources as a condition of receipt of grant funds. The commissioner shall consult with school districts that have not received school-linked mental health grants but want to collaborate with a community mental health provider.

Section 1.