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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; appropriating money for Family First Transition Act  
1.3 Services.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT**  
1.6 **TRANSITION.**

1.7 (a) The commissioner of human services shall allocate federal funds received by the  
1.8 state from the Family First Transition Act through a request for proposals process to award  
1.9 grants to one or more private agencies with demonstrated expertise in providing child welfare  
1.10 workforce training, child welfare practices development and support, and child welfare  
1.11 service delivery. Grant funding shall be used for:

1.12 (1) development of up to five child welfare practices and services that are likely to be  
1.13 included in the state's Family First Prevention Services Act implementation plan;

1.14 (2) development of regional child welfare workforce training hubs, with training focused  
1.15 on practices and services that are likely to be included in the state's Family First Prevention  
1.16 Services Act implementation plan;

1.17 (3) support, guidance, and initial costs for new service development, if needed, for local  
1.18 social services agencies that plan to implement new practices and services related to Family  
1.19 First Prevention Services Act implementation; and

1.20 (4) guidance and funding for children's residential treatment facilities to attain qualified  
1.21 residential treatment program status under the Family First Prevention Services Act.

- 2.1 (b) Practices, services, and training developed with this funding must include methods  
2.2 to continually evaluate program effectiveness, and must be trauma informed, family centered,  
2.3 culturally competent, and focused on preventive approaches. Grantees shall allocate a portion  
2.4 of grant funds received to local social services agencies for initial costs and implementation  
2.5 of the newly developed services and practices. This is a onetime appropriation.