# SENATE <br> STATE OF MINNESOTA <br> NINETY-THIRD SESSION 

## A bill for an act

relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to the Metro Youth Diversion Program.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION; METRO YOUTH DIVERSION CENTER.
(a) $\$ 350,000$ in fiscal year 2024 and $\$ 350,000$ in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the Metro Youth Diversion Center (MYDC) to support its Youth-Care Assessment and Readiness Education (Y-CARE) program. Money appropriated is available either year of the biennium.
(b) Grant proceeds must be used to enhance workforce development opportunities for youth with a focus on underrepresented East African students through MYDC's Y-CARE program. The Y-CARE program must prioritize the following workforce development activities:
(1) providing opportunities for youth to explore various career paths and industries;
(2) pairing youth participants with mentors who can provide guidance and support in their career development journey;
(3) offering resources and programs aimed at empowering youth and enhancing their personal and professional skills; and
(4) equipping youth with the necessary skills and resources to enter and thrive in the workforce.
(c) By January 1, 2026, MYDC shall provide a report to the commissioner of employment and economic development detailing how the grant proceeds were utilized and the outcomes achieved through the Y-CARE program.

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

