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1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to higher education; providing funding to Metropolitan State University

1.3for cyber range services; appropriating money.

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

1.5Section 1. METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY; APPROPRIATION.

1.6\$600,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2025 from the general fund to the Board of

1.7Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities for transfer to Metropolitan State

1.8University to contract with a cyber range vendor for cyber range services that will be made

1.9available to enrolled students and to state and local government agencies for the purpose

1.10of developing and preparing advanced cybersecurity expertise, enabling participants to

1.11effectively counter and thwart a wide spectrum of cyberattacks. For purposes of this section,

1.12"cyber range" means an isolated, interactive, and controlled virtual environment for training

1.13individuals and teams in cybersecurity, testing cybersecurity technologies, and simulating

1.14sophisticated cyberattacks and defenses. This is a onetime appropriation and is available

1.15until June 30, 2027.