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02/04/2019	241	Introduction and first reading Referred to Human Services Reform Finance and Policy

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to human services; appropriating money for renovation of a publicly owned

1.3former juvenile treatment facility into a facility providing mental health, child

1.4welfare, and other services to children and families.

1.5BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7\$5,500,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

1.8of human services for renovation of the former KidsPeace Mesabi Academy in Buhl,

1.9Minnesota. The renovation must include space for a stabilization and evaluation unit for

1.10children ten to 18 years old experiencing mental health or child welfare trauma. The unit

1.11must include 13 beds for males and 13 beds for females. The renovation must also include

1.12space for a family center providing at least the following services: crisis counseling,

1.13mediation and reunification services, supervised visitation, outpatient therapy, diagnostic

1.14assessments, and Rule 25 assessments. The family center must include four classrooms

1.15operated by the Mountain Iron-Buhl, Independent School District No. 712 for students in

1.16the stabilization and evaluation unit. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until

1.17June 30, 2023.