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Introduction and first reading

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Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to arts and culture; appropriating money for water safety grant program.

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

1.4 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; WATER SAFETY GRANTS.**

1.5 (a) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the arts and cultural heritage fund
1.6 to the commissioner of education for a water safety grant program. The commissioner of
1.7 education must determine the criteria for allocating grants among eligible applicants. If all
1.8 funds are not awarded to grantees in fiscal year 2020, the commissioner may award additional
1.9 grants in fiscal year 2021. Grant awards must be used for the following purposes:

1.10 (1) to provide low-income and at-risk children with scholarships for swimming lessons
1.11 based on nationally recognized water safety curriculum;

1.12 (2) to hire water safety instructors or life guards; or

1.13 (3) to train water safety instructors or life guards in nationally recognized water safety
1.14 practices and instruction.

1.15 (b) Any balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.