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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for grants to increase the
1.3 number of apprentices in information technology; requiring reports.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPRENTICESHIPS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY;**
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 (a) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.8 commissioner of employment and economic development for competitive grants for projects
1.9 to increase the number of apprentices in the field of information technology, including
1.10 registered apprenticeships and other forms of on-the-job training programs designed to
1.11 result in permanent employment and a portable credential. This is a onetime appropriation
1.12 and funds are available until June 30, 2022.

1.13 (b) Eligible projects for these grants may include but are not limited to projects that:

1.14 (1) facilitate the creation or expansion of information technology apprenticeships;

1.15 (2) help identify or prepare individuals for apprenticeships in information technology;

1.16 or

1.17 (3) track or support the success of individuals in information technology apprenticeships.

1.18 (c) By February 15, 2021, and February 15, 2023, the commissioner shall submit a report
1.19 to the chairs of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over workforce development
1.20 on the use of grant funds and program outcomes. At a minimum, the report must include:

1.21 (1) the number of new apprenticeship placements facilitated by the program;

- 2.1 (2) information on the employment outcomes of apprentices supported by the program;
- 2.2 and
- 2.3 (3) any other quantifiable measures of success.