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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; establishing grants to day services providers who lost
1.3 revenue due to weather-related closures; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; SEVERE WEATHER CLOSURE RELIEF.**

1.6 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.7 of human services for noncompetitive grants to day services providers who were licensed
1.8 and operating under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 245D, on January 1, 2019, and who closed
1.9 for at least one day between January 1, 2019, and December 31, 2020, in order to protect
1.10 the safety of program participants and employees due to extreme weather conditions. The
1.11 commissioner shall award grants within the available appropriation on a first-come,
1.12 first-served basis to any eligible provider who submits a notarized attestation signed by the
1.13 provider's chair of the board of directors, executive director, chief executive officer, or other
1.14 person designated by the provider's board of directors stating that the provider closed for
1.15 at least one day between January 1, 2019, and December 31, 2020, for an eligible reason.
1.16 The grant amount for each closed day shall be the provider's total medical assistance revenue
1.17 for services with day programs and unit-based services with programming between January
1.18 1, 2019, and December 31, 2019, divided by 244 service days.