

CHAPTER 91--H.F.No. 4429

An act relating to economic development; modifying the pay-for-performance grant program; renaming the displaced homemaker program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 116J.8747, subdivisions 2, 3; 116L.96.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 116J.8747, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Qualified job training program.** To qualify for grants under this section, a job training program must satisfy the following requirements:

(1) the program must be operated by a nonprofit corporation that qualifies under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(2) the program ~~must spend, on average, \$15,000 or more per graduate of the program~~ may spend up to \$5,500 in total training per participant;

(3) the program must provide education and training in:

(i) basic skills, such as reading, writing, financial literacy, digital literacy, mathematics, and communications;

~~(ii) thinking skills, such as reasoning, creative thinking, decision making, and problem solving; and~~

~~(iii) personal qualities, such as responsibility, self-esteem, self-management, honesty, and integrity;~~

(ii) long-term plans for success including participant coaching for two years after placement;

(iii) soft skills, including skills critical to success on the job; and

(iv) access to internships, technology training, personal and emotional intelligence skill development, and other support services;

(4) the program may provide income supplements not to exceed \$2,000 per participant, when needed, to participants for housing, counseling, tuition, and other basic needs;

(5) individuals served by the program must be 18 years of age or older as of the date of enrollment, and have household income in the ~~calendar year~~ six months immediately before entering the program that is ~~100~~ 200 percent or less of the federal poverty guideline for Minnesota, based on family size; and

(6) the program must be certified by the commissioner of employment and economic development as meeting the requirements of this subdivision.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 116J.8747, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Graduation and retention grant requirements.** For purposes of a placement grant under this section, a qualified graduate is a graduate of a job training program qualifying under subdivision 2 who is placed in a job in Minnesota that pays at least ~~\$9 per hour or its equivalent plus health care benefits~~ the

current state minimum wage. To qualify for a retention grant under this section for a retention fee, a job in which the graduate is retained must pay at least ~~\$10 per hour or its equivalent plus health care benefits at the end of the first year of employment~~ the current state minimum wage.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 116L.96, is amended to read:

116L.96 ~~DISPLACED HOMEMAKER PROGRAMS~~ MINNESOTA FAMILY RESILIENCY PARTNERSHIP.

The commissioner of employment and economic development ~~may~~ shall enter into arrangements with existing private or nonprofit organizations and agencies with experience in dealing with displaced homemakers to provide counseling and training services. The commissioner shall assist displaced homemakers in applying for appropriate welfare programs and shall take welfare allowances received into account in setting the stipend level. Income received as a stipend under these programs shall be totally disregarded for purposes of determining eligibility for and the amount of a general assistance grant.

Sec. 4. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

In each section of Minnesota Statutes listed in column A, the revisor of statutes shall change the term in column B to the term in column C.

<u>Column A</u>	<u>Column B</u>	<u>Column C</u>
<u>116L.19</u>	<u>"displaced homemaker programs"</u>	<u>"displaced homemaker programs as federally defined including the Minnesota Family Resiliency Partnership established under section 116L.96"</u>
<u>116L.666</u>	<u>"displaced homemaker programs"</u>	<u>"the Minnesota Family Resiliency Partnership"</u>
<u>357.021, subdivision 1a</u>	<u>"displaced homemaker program"</u>	<u>"Minnesota Family Resiliency Partnership"</u>
<u>517.08</u>	<u>"displaced homemaker program"</u>	<u>"Minnesota Family Resiliency Partnership"</u>

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