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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. 1958

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; authorizing carryover to second year of grant and
1.3 training funds to combat sexual exploitation of youth; amending Laws 2013,
1.4 chapter 86, article 1, sections 12, subdivision 6; 13.

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

1.6 Section 1. Laws 2013, chapter 86, article 1, section 12, subdivision 6, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 6. **Office of Justice Programs** 36,106,000 36,106,000

1.9	Appropriations by Fund		
1.10	General	36,010,000	36,010,000
1.11	State Government		
1.12	Special Revenue	96,000	96,000

1.13 (a) **OJP Administration Costs**

1.14 Up to 2.5 percent of the grant funds
1.15 appropriated in this subdivision may be used
1.16 by the commissioner to administer the grant
1.17 program.

1.18 (b) **Crime Victim Programs**

1.19 \$1,500,000 each year must be distributed
1.20 through an open and competitive grant
1.21 process for existing crime victim programs.
1.22 The funds must be used to meet the needs

2.1 of underserved and unserved areas and
2.2 populations.

2.3 **(c) Community Offender Reentry Program**

2.4 \$100,000 each year is for a grant to the
2.5 community offender reentry program for
2.6 assisting individuals to transition from
2.7 incarceration to the communities in and
2.8 around Duluth, including assistance in
2.9 finding housing, employment, educational
2.10 opportunities, counseling, and other
2.11 resources. This is a onetime appropriation.

2.12 **(d) Youth Intervention Programs**

2.13 \$1,000,000 each year is for youth intervention
2.14 programs under Minnesota Statutes, section
2.15 299A.73. The appropriations must be
2.16 used to create new programs statewide
2.17 in underserved areas and to help existing
2.18 programs serve unmet needs in program
2.19 communities. These appropriations are
2.20 available until expended. This amount must
2.21 be added to the department's base budget for
2.22 grants to youth intervention programs.

2.23 **(e) Sexually Exploited Youth; Law
2.24 Enforcement and Prosecution Training**

2.25 \$350,000 each year is for a grant to Ramsey
2.26 County to be used by the Ramsey County
2.27 Attorney's Office to:

2.28 (1) develop a statewide model protocol for
2.29 law enforcement, prosecutors, and others,
2.30 who in their professional capacity encounter
2.31 sexually exploited and trafficked youth, on
2.32 identifying and intervening with sexually
2.33 exploited and trafficked youth;

3.1 (2) conduct statewide training for law
3.2 enforcement and prosecutors on the model
3.3 protocol and the Safe Harbor Law described
3.4 in Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter
3.5 1, article 4, as modified by Senate File No.
3.6 384, article 2, if enacted; and

3.7 (3) develop and disseminate to law
3.8 enforcement, prosecutors, and others, who
3.9 in their professional capacity encounter
3.10 sexually exploited and trafficked youth, on
3.11 investigative best practices to identify sex
3.12 trafficked victims and traffickers.

3.13 The Ramsey County attorney may use the
3.14 money appropriated in this paragraph to
3.15 partner with other entities to implement
3.16 clauses (1) to (3).

3.17 By January 15, 2015, the Ramsey County
3.18 Attorney's Office shall report to the chairs
3.19 and ranking minority members of the senate
3.20 and house of representatives committees and
3.21 divisions having jurisdiction over criminal
3.22 justice policy and funding on how this
3.23 appropriation was spent.

3.24 These appropriations are onetime, and
3.25 any unexpended funds in the first year are
3.26 available in the second year.

3.27 **(f) Returning Veterans in Crisis**

3.28 \$50,000 each year is for a grant to the Upper
3.29 Midwest Community Policing Institute for
3.30 use in training community safety personnel
3.31 about the use of de-escalation strategies
3.32 for handling returning veterans in crisis.

3.33 This is a onetime appropriation, and the
3.34 unencumbered balance in the first year does
3.35 not cancel but is available for the second

5.1 **(c) Training; Sexually Exploited and**
5.2 **Trafficked Youth**

5.3 Of the appropriation in paragraph (b),
5.4 \$100,000 the first year is for reimbursements
5.5 to local governments for peace officer
5.6 training costs on sexually exploited and
5.7 trafficked youth, including effectively
5.8 identifying sex trafficked victims and
5.9 traffickers, investigation techniques, and
5.10 assisting sexually exploited youth. Any
5.11 unexpended funds in the first year are
5.12 available in the second year.

5.13 Reimbursement shall be provided on a flat
5.14 fee basis of \$100 per diem per officer.

5.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.