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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Job Growth and Energy Affordability Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to economic development; appropriating money for a pilot art incubator  
1.3 and creative enterprise center.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$175,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the  
1.7 commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the Asian Economic  
1.8 Development Association (AEDA) to establish an arts and culture incubator to create  
1.9 economic opportunities for Southeast Asian artists, especially women and LGBTQ artists.  
1.10 The pilot incubator project must provide ten women and LGBTQ artists with the support  
1.11 and space they need to refine their products and implement their business plans for scaled  
1.12 production, including brand promotion of their products and finding distribution channels.