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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3887

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; providing matching funds to institutions for childcare
1.3 programs; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; CHILD CARE EXPANSION GRANTS.

1.6 (a) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board of
1.7 Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to partner with the National Head
1.8 Start Association and the Association of Community College Trustees to establish Head
1.9 Start centers on college campuses. This is a onetime appropriation.

1.10 (b) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.11 of the Office of Higher Education for grants to public higher education institutions for the
1.12 purpose of renovating physical spaces for childcare. This is a onetime appropriation.

1.13 (c) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.14 of the Office of Higher Education for matching funds to postsecondary institutions
1.15 participating in the postsecondary childcare grant program under Minnesota Statutes, section
1.16 136A.125, that receive federal childcare funding, including funding from the Head Start
1.17 and Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) programs. The commissioner
1.18 shall develop an application process. Institutions may apply for matching funding equal to
1.19 the amount received in federal childcare funds, up to \$150,000. The commissioner shall
1.20 prioritize institutions that receive the smallest amount of federally funded childcare. The
1.21 institutions shall use the matching funds to support or establish campus-based childcare
1.22 programs primarily serving the needs of low-income students enrolled in the institution.
1.23 This is a onetime appropriation.