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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to economic development; directing the legislative auditor to conduct

1.3 financial audits of grants related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

1.5 Section 1. **DIRECTION TO LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR; COVID-19 GRANTS**

1.6 **AUDITS.**

1.7 (a) The legislative auditor shall conduct financial audits of all COVID-19-related grant

1.8 programs administered by the state, local governments, and nonprofit organizations to

1.9 review grant program administration and compliance by both the grantors and recipients of

1.10 the grants.

1.11 (b) The audits shall:

1.12 (1) review whether recipients of grant awards met the requirements specified for the

1.13 grant;

1.14 (2) examine whether grant awards were used in accordance with the eligible uses allowed

1.15 for a grant; and

1.16 (3) evaluate financial information, including administrative expenses incurred by grantors.

1.17 (c) The legislative auditor shall report the results of the financial audits required under

1.18 paragraph (a) to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and

1.19 divisions with jurisdiction over economic development finance and policy by October 15,

1.20 2021.

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