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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to State Government Finance and Policy and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; authorizing a program to provide community violence  
1.3 prevention programs for African-American children; appropriating money;  
1.4 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A.

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

1.6 Section 1. [299A.2955] MARTIN LUTHER KING NONVIOLENT INSTITUTIONAL  
1.7 CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

1.8 (a) The Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage shall coordinate the planning and  
1.9 designing of the Martin Luther King nonviolent institutional child development program  
1.10 which shall provide:

1.11 (1) multi-institutional interdisciplinary community violence prevention programs; and

1.12 (2) multi-institutional interdisciplinary intervention programs.

1.13 (b) The programs under paragraph (a) may provide services to the following entities:

1.14 (1) elementary and secondary schools;

1.15 (2) social service programs and agencies;

1.16 (3) youth programs and services;

1.17 (4) juvenile delinquency programs;

1.18 (5) residential treatment facilities;

1.19 (6) foster homes;

1.20 (7) law enforcement agencies;

2.1 (8) medical centers;

2.2 (9) mental health programs; and

2.3 (10) religious outreach programs.

2.4 (c) The services of the programs under paragraph (a) shall include any or all of the  
2.5 following:

2.6 (1) development and implementation of each participating entity's long-range community  
2.7 violence prevention plan for school-age children;

2.8 (2) development and implementation of each participating entity's community violence  
2.9 intervention plan for children affected by violence in the community;

2.10 (3) identification and implementation of each participating entity's training and staffing  
2.11 needs;

2.12 (4) development and implementation of a network among participating entities to  
2.13 coordinate services, share information, and develop common strategies for violence  
2.14 prevention and intervention; and

2.15 (5) funding for each participating entity's violence prevention and intervention programs.

2.16 (d) Except as required for mandatory reporting under chapter 626, any information  
2.17 received by an institution described in this section is privileged and not required to be  
2.18 disclosed to law enforcement agencies or in a court. Notwithstanding any other law to the  
2.19 contrary, persons in the program are authorized to receive information from law enforcement  
2.20 agencies, schools, mortuaries, medical examiners, physicians, and social service agencies  
2.21 necessary to provide services to children impacted by homicides. Law enforcement agencies,  
2.22 schools, social service agencies, and other participating institutions subject to chapter 13  
2.23 are authorized to share and receive private or confidential data on individuals or nonpublic  
2.24 data with participating institutions, as necessary to provide services to children impacted  
2.25 by homicide.

2.26 (e) The Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage shall provide oversight of the  
2.27 program and shall meet with the Department of Health and Human Services, school districts,  
2.28 and the Departments of Public Safety and Corrections at least once a year to discuss  
2.29 intervention strategies used by the program and the program's effectiveness.

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

3.1 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

3.2 \$600,000 in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the Council for  
3.3 Minnesotans of African Heritage for the Martin Luther King nonviolent institutional child  
3.4 development program in section 1 and to pay related costs and expenses. This appropriation  
3.5 is available through June 30, 2019.