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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to Unidos MN
1.3 Education Fund and the New Justice Project MN.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; UNIDOS MN EDUCATION FUND AND THE NEW**
1.6 **JUSTICE PROJECT MN.**

1.7 \$1,750,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.8 of employment and economic development for a grant to Unidos MN Education Fund and
1.9 the New Justice Project MN to address employment and economic disparities for people of
1.10 color, immigrant communities, and low-income unemployed or underemployed individuals.
1.11 Money must be used to support preapprenticeship and workforce training, career
1.12 development, worker rights training, employment placement and entrepreneurship support,
1.13 related support services, and the development of transferable skills in high-demand fields
1.14 related to construction, clean energy, and energy efficiency. Of this amount, 50 percent is
1.15 for a grant to Unidos MN Education Fund and 50 percent is for a grant to the New Justice
1.16 Project MN.