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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

**S.F. No. 4343**

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11838 Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Education Finance

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to education finance; increasing state funding for the Minnesota Academy  
1.3 of Science; appropriating money; amending Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 2,  
1.4 section 64, subdivision 30.

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

1.6 Section 1. Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 2, section 64, subdivision 30, is amended to  
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 30. **Museums and education centers.** (a) For grants to museums and education  
1.9 centers:

1.10 \$ 1,241,000 ..... 2024

1.11 ~~1,241,000~~

1.12 \$ 1,325,000 ..... 2025

1.13 (b) \$500,000 each year is for the Minnesota Children's Museum.

1.14 (c) \$50,000 each year is for the Children's Museum of Rochester.

1.15 (d) \$41,000 ~~each year is~~ in fiscal year 2024 and \$125,000 in fiscal year 2025 are for the  
1.16 Minnesota Academy of Science.

1.17 (e) \$100,000 each year is for The Bakken Museum, Minneapolis.

1.18 (f) \$50,000 each year is for the Headwaters Science Center.

1.19 (g) \$50,000 each year is for The Works Museum, Bloomington.

1.20 (h) \$50,000 each year is for the WonderTrek Children's Museum, Brainerd-Baxter.

1.21 (i) \$50,000 each year is for the Otter Cove Children's Museum, Fergus Falls.

- 2.1 (j) \$50,000 each year is for the Children's Discovery Museum, Grand Rapids.
- 2.2 (k) \$50,000 each year is for the Wheel and Cog Children's Museum, Hutchinson.
- 2.3 (l) \$50,000 each year is for the Village Children's Museum, Willmar.
- 2.4 (m) \$50,000 each year is for the Duluth Children's Museum, Duluth.
- 2.5 (n) \$50,000 each year is for the Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota, Mankato.
- 2.6 (o) \$50,000 each year is for the Great River Children's Museum, St. Cloud.
- 2.7 (p) \$50,000 each year is for the Children's Discovery Museum, Breckenridge.
- 2.8 (q) A recipient of a grant under this subdivision must use the funds to encourage and  
2.9 increase access for historically underserved communities.
- 2.10 (r) Up to three percent of the appropriation is available for grant administration.
- 2.11 (s) Any balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.
- 2.12 (t) The base for fiscal year 2026 and later is ~~\$1,791,000~~ \$1,875,000. Of this amount,  
2.13 ~~\$691,000~~ \$775,000 is for the museums and amounts indicated for fiscal year 2025 in  
2.14 paragraphs (b) to (e), \$60,000 is for the museum in paragraph (f), \$600,000 is for the  
2.15 museums in paragraphs (g) to (l) in the amount of \$100,000 per museum, and \$440,000 is  
2.16 for the museums in paragraphs (m) to (p) in the amount of \$110,000 per museum.