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A bill for an act

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relating to workforce development; appropriating money to Bridges to Healthcare's

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job training programs.

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

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Section 1. **BRIDGES TO HEALTHCARE; APPROPRIATION.**

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\$360,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$360,000 in fiscal year 2019 are appropriated from the

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workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development

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for a grant to Bridges to Healthcare to provide career education, wraparound support services,

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and job skills training in high-demand health care fields to low-income parents, non-native

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speakers of English, and other hard-to-train individuals, helping families build secure

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pathways out of poverty while also addressing worker shortages in one of Minnesota's most

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innovative industries. Funds may be used for program expenses, including but not limited

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to hiring instructors and navigators; space rental; and supportive services to help participants

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attend classes, including assistance with course fees, child care, transportation, and safe and

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stable housing. In addition, up to five percent of grant funds may be used for Bridges to

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Healthcare's administrative costs. These funds are available until June 30, 2020.