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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; appropriating money for grants to radio stations.
1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.4 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; PUBLIC BROADCASTING.**

1.5 \$492,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$492,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from the
1.6 general fund to the commissioner of administration for community service grants to public
1.7 educational radio stations. No indirect costs may be claimed by an institution or governing
1.8 body for this grant. Grants must be allocated after considering the recommendations of the
1.9 Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations according to Minnesota Statutes,
1.10 section 129D.14.

1.11 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL RADIO STATIONS.**

1.12 \$142,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$142,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from the
1.13 general fund to the commissioner of administration for grants to public educational radio
1.14 stations for the purchase of equipment. This appropriation may be used for the repair, rental,
1.15 and purchase of equipment and software, including equipment and software under \$500.
1.16 No indirect costs may be claimed by an institution or governing body for this grant. Grants
1.17 must be allocated after considering the recommendations of the Association of Minnesota
1.18 Public Educational Radio Stations according to Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.14.

1.19 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATION; PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL RADIO STATIONS.**

1.20 \$1,950,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$1,950,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from
1.21 the arts and cultural heritage fund to the commissioner of administration for grants to the

2.1 Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations for production and acquisition
2.2 grants according to Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.19. Of this amount, \$75,000 the first
2.3 year is for statewide programming to produce and distribute the Veterans' Voices program
2.4 to educate and engage communities regarding Minnesota veterans' contributions, knowledge,
2.5 skills, and experiences with an emphasis on the untold stories of veterans from diverse
2.6 communities. The funds shall be available until June 30, 2023. This is a onetime
2.7 appropriation.