

SENATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

S.F. No. 3558

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
04/18/2016	5895	Introduction and first reading Referred to Finance

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A bill for an act

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relating to human services; appropriating money for children's mental health

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grants.

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

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Section 1. **CHILD MENTAL HEALTH GRANTS.**

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\$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated to the commissioner of human

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services for grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 245.4889, to culturally specific

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mental health providers to expand the number of trained clinicians of color to provide

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services to children up to five years of age. Priority should be given to clinicians who are

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African-American and Native American. Funds may be used by mental health providers

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to provide technical assistance to clinicians seeking licensure and preparing for exams,

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to provide mentoring to new clinicians, and for a student loan forgiveness program for

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clinicians who remained employed by culturally specific mental health providers for

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over ... years. This appropriation is added to the base for child mental health grants

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under Minnesota Statutes, section 245.4889.