

A bill for an act  
relating to employment; appropriating money for extended employment services  
for persons with disabilities; establishing the purpose and need for extended  
employment services.

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

Section 1. **PURPOSE AND NEED FOR EXTENDED EMPLOYMENT  
SERVICES.**

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 268A.15, extended employment services  
are offered on a statewide basis through a network of nonprofit service providers and  
private employers to individuals with severe disabilities and other profound limitations.  
The support services offered through the extended employment program allow such  
individuals to seek, secure, and maintain employment that encompasses a broad range of  
choices and promotes each participant's self-sufficiency and financial independence.

Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

\$6,060,000 is appropriated in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and \$6,447,000 is  
appropriated in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund and \$6,840,000  
is appropriated in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and \$6,840,000 is appropriated  
in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the workforce development fund to the  
commissioner of employment and economic development for extended employment  
services for persons with severe disabilities and other profound limitations as provided for  
under Minnesota Statutes, section 268A.15.