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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

05/05/2016 By motion, recalled and returned to Author

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; appropriating grant funds to support the Somali
1.3 community.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; SOMALI YOUTH AND COMMUNITY**
1.6 **RESILIENCE.**

1.7 (a) \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.8 commissioner of public safety for a grant to an organization, such as Youthprise that
1.9 supports the Somali Youth Development Fund, that supports positive youth development,
1.10 community engagement, legal services, and capacity building for community-based
1.11 organizations serving Somali youth, including youth engagement, prevention, and
1.12 intervention activities that help build the resiliency of the Somali Minnesotan community
1.13 and address challenges facing Somali youth. Funded projects must provide culturally
1.14 and linguistically relevant services and a portion of the funding must be distributed in
1.15 greater Minnesota.

1.16 (b) \$..... in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.17 commissioner of public safety for grants to local units of government to build relationships
1.18 with the Somali community by implementing or expanding the use of community liaison
1.19 officers or other innovative community policing initiatives. Grants funds may be used in
1.20 coordination with local, state, and federal law enforcement partnerships or partnerships
1.21 with nongovernmental organizations and social service providers.

1.22 (c) Grant recipients must report to the commissioner of public safety by July 31 of
1.23 each year on the services, programs, and initiatives provided; expenditures of grant money;
1.24 and an evaluation of the program's success in building resiliency in the Somali community.

2.1 The commissioner shall compile the grant recipient reports, and by November 1 of each
2.2 year, the commissioner shall submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members
2.3 of the senate and house of representatives committees and divisions having jurisdiction
2.4 over criminal justice policy and funding with any legislative recommendations, including
2.5 additional grant funding, prevention strategies, or intervention models to support Somali
2.6 Minnesotans and build resiliency in the Somali community.