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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to energy; heating assistance; appropriating money for the Low-Income
 1.3 Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

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

1.5 Section 1. **LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
 1.6 **(LIHEAP); APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 \$20,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of commerce
 1.8 in fiscal year 2014 for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for
 1.9 the purpose of providing additional heating assistance funds to eligible households. The
 1.10 commissioner shall follow the federal rules and guidelines for this appropriation, and may
 1.11 implement expanded eligibility guidelines. If available, federal funds must be spent first.
 1.12 The commissioner may retain up to four percent of available federal funds as carryforward
 1.13 funds for the next program year. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until spent.

1.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.