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A bill for an act

relating to education; postsecondary; transferring money to Minnesota state colleges and universities for scholarships for the community paramedic program.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATION; MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC PROGRAM.

Of the appropriation made under Laws 2009, chapter 79, article 13, section 6, as amended by Laws 2009, chapter 173, article 2, section 4, \$110,000 shall be transferred from the commissioner of veterans affairs to the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to make grants to any Minnesota state college or university that is approved to teach an accredited community paramedic program. This grant money shall be used for scholarships to cover the cost of courses, supplies, and clinical expenses for eligible paramedics. Priority for allocation of the scholarships shall be given to honorably discharged military veterans currently residing in Minnesota or current members of the Minnesota National Guard. Eligible applicants must meet all criteria listed in Minnesota Statutes, section 144E.28, subdivision 9, and be successfully enrolled in an accredited community paramedic program. This onetime appropriation is available until expended.

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