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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **2274**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to capital investment; establishing a grant program for the development
1.3 of regional behavioral health crisis programs in selected communities; authorizing
1.4 the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money; proposing coding for
1.5 new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 245G.

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

1.7 Section 1. **[245G.01] CREATION OF ACCOUNT FOR REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL**
1.8 **HEALTH CRISIS PROGRAM GRANTS.**

1.9 A regional behavioral health crisis program grant account is created in the special revenue
1.10 fund in the state treasury. Money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of
1.11 human services for grants under this chapter. Notwithstanding section 16A.28 or 16A.642,
1.12 money deposited in the account from any source is available until expended.

1.13 Sec. 2. **[245G.02] GRANTS FOR REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS**
1.14 **PROGRAMS.**

1.15 Subdivision 1. **Commissioner of management and budget duties.** The commissioner
1.16 of management and budget may make up to six grants from the grant account under section
1.17 245G.01 to applicants for projects to predesign, design, renovate or construct, furnish, and
1.18 equip facilities for regional behavioral health crisis programs. The grant is contingent on
1.19 the commissioner of human services' review and authorization under subdivision 2 verifying
1.20 need, ability and willingness to build on existing resources, and sustainability. The grant
1.21 process is designed to allow flexibility in the design of the program to meet the needs of
1.22 the region. The purpose of the program is to provide, at a minimum, screening and assessment

2.1 services for persons with mental illness or substance use disorders. This may include
 2.2 individuals who are under arrest or subject to arrest, or in immediate need of crisis services.

2.3 Subd. 2. **Commissioner of human services; duties.** (a) The commissioner of human
 2.4 services shall review proposals by applicants and give priority to those that:

2.5 (1) demonstrate a need for the program in the region;

2.6 (2) provide a detailed service plan, including the services that will be provided, to whom,
 2.7 and staffing requirements;

2.8 (3) provide an estimated cost of operating the program;

2.9 (4) verify financial sustainability by detailing sufficient funding sources; and

2.10 (5) include an ability and willingness to build on existing resources in the community.

2.11 (b) The commissioner shall not authorize grant funds under subdivision 1 unless the
 2.12 applicant can document and verify need, ability and willingness to build on existing resources,
 2.13 and sustainability.

2.14 Subd. 3. **Applicant.** For purposes of this section, "applicant" means a statutory or home
 2.15 rule charter city, county, housing and redevelopment authority, hospital, or other public
 2.16 entity designated to apply for a regional behavioral health crisis program grant by the local
 2.17 mental health authority, as defined in section 245.466, or on behalf of a regional consortium
 2.18 of organizations that serve individuals with mental illness or a substance use disorder.

2.19 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATION FOR CRISIS PROGRAM GRANTS; BOND SALE**
 2.20 **AUTHORIZATION.**

2.21 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$30,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds
 2.22 fund to the commissioner of management and budget for grants under Minnesota Statutes,
 2.23 chapter 245G.

2.24 Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the bond
 2.25 proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds of
 2.26 the state in an amount up to \$30,000,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect
 2.27 prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota
 2.28 Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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