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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 4958

03/14/2024 Authored by Wolgamott The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; authorizing a grant to the St. Cloud School District
1.3 for construction of an emergency medical services education facility; amending
1.4 Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 1, section 36, subdivision 13.

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

1.6 Section 1. Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 1, section 36, subdivision 13, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 13. Emergency medical training. (a) For grants to offer high school students
1.9 courses in emergency medical services:

1.10 \$ 500,000 ..... 2024

1.11 \$ 500,000 ..... 2025

1.12 (b) A school district, charter school, or cooperative unit under Minnesota Statutes, section
1.13 123A.24, subdivision 2, may apply for a grant under this section to offer enrolled students
1.14 emergency medical services courses approved by the Minnesota Emergency Medical Services
1.15 Regulatory Board to prepare students to take the emergency medical technician certification
1.16 test, including an emergency medical services course that is a prerequisite to an emergency
1.17 medical technician course.

1.18 (c) A grant recipient may use grant funds to partner with a district, charter school,
1.19 cooperative unit, postsecondary institution, political subdivision, or entity with expertise in
1.20 emergency medical services, including health systems, hospitals, ambulance services, and
1.21 health care providers to offer an emergency medical services course.

2.1 (d) Eligible uses of grant funds include teacher salaries, transportation, equipment costs,  
2.2 emergency medical technician certification test fees, and student background checks.

2.3 (e) To the extent practicable, the commissioner must award half of the grant funds to  
2.4 applicants outside of the seven-county metropolitan area, and 30 percent of the grant funds  
2.5 to applicants with high concentrations of students of color.

2.6 (f) Any balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.

2.7 (g) Of the amount in fiscal year 2025 only, \$..... is for a grant to Independent School  
2.8 District No. 742, St. Cloud, for an emergency medical services education facility suitable  
2.9 for coursework in emergency medical services. For the project under this paragraph, eligible  
2.10 uses of grant funds include any design and construction costs and remodeling costs necessary  
2.11 to prepare the education facility in addition to the eligible uses under paragraph (d).

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