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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Higher Education Finance and Policy

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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to higher education; appropriating money for mental health education;  
1.3 requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. **CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION**  
1.6 **DEVELOPMENT.**

1.7 The University of Minnesota Medical School is requested to develop an educational  
1.8 training program on mental health care for children, adolescents, and families. This training  
1.9 will be delivered to medical professionals, mental health professionals, care coordinators,  
1.10 community health workers, and trainees with the goal of addressing the serious problem of  
1.11 limited workforce for mental health providers in the state. The development of this program  
1.12 must include a series of five in-person task force meetings with community stakeholders to  
1.13 be held in Bemidji, Duluth, Mankato, Morris, and the Twin Cities. These task force meetings  
1.14 will serve to gather information about educational needs and to guide the development of  
1.15 a two-day, interactive workshop to be held before July 1, 2018, at the University of Minnesota  
1.16 Medical School with live teleconferencing connectivity to sites in Bemidji, Duluth, Mankato,  
1.17 and Morris. This workshop will focus on developing new mental health care delivery skills.  
1.18 The workshop will be followed by extensive review, evaluation, and feedback. By February  
1.19 1, 2019, the dean of the University of Minnesota Medical School shall submit a report to  
1.20 the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction  
1.21 over higher education and health care with recommendations for future legislative action  
1.22 on mental health training for medical professionals, mental health professionals, care  
1.23 coordinators, community health workers, and professional trainees.

2.1 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.2 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board of  
2.3 Regents of the University of Minnesota for the planning, organization, and implementation  
2.4 of the task force meetings and mental health training workshop in section 1. This is a onetime  
2.5 appropriation.