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Subject Dual Enrollment Teacher Training Program

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Overview

Minnesota's Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) programs include a number of models, including concurrent enrollment, which often goes by the name of "college in the schools." Instructors in these programs are most often high school teachers specially trained by the sponsoring college or university.

A decision by the Higher Learning Commission a few years ago requires that these concurrent enrollment teachers have at least 18 master's degree credits in their field of teaching. Many concurrent enrollment teachers, while having a master's degree, do not have these credits in the specific areas that they teach.

The 2016 Legislature first appropriated funds for the Northwest Regional Partnership to provide these credits to high school teachers. This program is now referred to as the 18 online program (18 credits and much of the coursework done online). In 2017, the Legislature added to the funding and expanded the program statewide.

H.F. 3849 clarifies the program language and provides additional funds by increasing the appropriation by \$1 million for fiscal year 2021 and increasing the base to \$1 million per year in subsequent years.

Summary

Section Description

1 Statewide concurrent enrollment teacher training program.

Clarifies the language for the statewide concurrent enrollment teacher training program.

Section Description

2 Concurrent enrollment teacher training program; appropriation.

Appropriates an additional \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2021 for the concurrent enrollment teacher training program. Sets the base appropriation (currently \$375,000) at \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 and later.



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