

1.1 **Senator Hoffman from the Committee on Human Services, to which was referred**

1.2 **S.F. No. 1020:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying essential
1.3 community supports; appropriating money for a grant for respite services; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256B.0922, subdivision 1.

1.5 Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

1.6 Page 1, after line 5, insert:

1.7 "Section 1. [256.9756] CAREGIVER RESPITE SERVICES GRANTS.

1.8 Subdivision 1. Caregiver respite grant program established. The commissioner of
1.9 human services must establish a caregiver respite services grant program to increase the
1.10 availability of respite services for family caregivers of people with dementia and older adults
1.11 and to provide information, education, and training to respite caregivers and volunteers
1.12 regarding caring for people with dementia. From the funds made available for this purpose,
1.13 the commissioner must award grants on a competitive basis to respite service providers,
1.14 giving priority to areas of the state where there is a high need of respite services.

1.15 Subd. 2. Eligible uses. Grant recipients awarded grant funding under this section must
1.16 use a portion of the grant award as determined by the commissioner to provide free or
1.17 subsidized respite services for family caregivers of people with dementia and older adults.

1.18 Subd. 3. Report. By January 15, 2026, and every other January 15 thereafter, the
1.19 commissioner shall submit a progress report about the caregiver respite services grants in
1.20 this section to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and
1.21 divisions with jurisdiction over human services. The progress report must include metrics
1.22 of the use of the grant program funds."

1.23 Page 2, line 8, before "companion" insert "adult"

1.24 Page 2, delete section 2 and insert:

1.25 "Sec. 3. DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES; CAREGIVER
1.26 RESPITE SERVICES GRANTS.

1.27 Beginning in fiscal year 2025, the commissioner of human services must continue the
1.28 respite services for older adults grant program established under Laws 2021, First Special
1.29 Session chapter 7, article 7, section 17, subdivision 3, under the authority granted under
1.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 256.9756. The commissioner may begin the grant application
1.31 process for awarding grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 256.9756, during fiscal year

2.1 2024 in order to facilitate the continuity of the grant program during the transition from a
2.2 temporary program to a permanent one.

2.3 **Sec. 4. APPROPRIATIONS; CAREGIVER RESPITE SERVICES GRANTS.**

2.4 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
2.5 of human services for caregiver respite services grants under Minnesota Statutes, section
2.6 256.9756."

2.7 Renumber the sections in sequence

2.8 Amend the title numbers accordingly

2.9 And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance.
2.10 Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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2.12 (Committee Chair)

2.13 February 13, 2023.....
2.14 (Date of Committee recommendation)