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A bill for an act

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relating to education finance; appropriating money for grants to intermediate school

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districts for registered special education apprenticeship programs.

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

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Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

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Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sums indicated in this section are

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appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years

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designated.

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Subd. 2. Special education apprenticeship programs. (a) For grants to intermediate

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school districts for registered special education apprenticeship programs:

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\$ 3,000,000 2026

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\$ 3,000,000 2027

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(b) In each year, the department must award grants of \$740,000 each to Intermediate

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School Districts Nos. 287, 288, 916, and 917. Grant recipients must use grant money for

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registered special education apprenticeship programs. Grant money may be used for:

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(1) program oversight and administrative costs incurred by an intermediate school district

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and its partner higher education institution;

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(2) stipends and tuition, fees, and other direct program costs incurred by apprentices;

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(3) stipends for teachers serving as mentors; and

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(4) the cost of substitute teachers.

- 2.1 (c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to \$40,000
- 2.2 of the appropriation is available for grant administration.