

SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

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| 02/03/2025                                  | 256  | Introduction and first reading            |
|                                             |      | Referred to Jobs and Economic Development |
| 02/10/2025                                  | 346  | Author added Champion                     |

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A bill for an act

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relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to the Latino

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Economic Development Center.

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

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Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

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\$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from

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the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic

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development for a grant to the Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC). Grant

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proceeds may be used to assist, support, finance, and launch microentrepreneurs by delivering

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training, workshops, and one-on-one consultations to businesses as well as capacity building

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and general operations. Proceeds may also be used to assist prospective entrepreneurs in

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the start-up process by introducing prospective entrepreneurs to key business concepts,

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including business start-up readiness and innovating career pathways into trades, green

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lending, technology, coding, STEM careers, translation services, and manufacturing.