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03/10/2025	703	Introduction and first reading Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety

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A bill for an act

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relating to public safety; appropriating money for grants to purchase or upgrade

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radios and related equipment.

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

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Section 1. **STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM**

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EQUIPMENT GRANTS; 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 general fund to the commissioner of public safety for grants to local units of government,

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federally recognized Tribal entities, and state agencies participating in the statewide Allied

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Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) public safety radio communication system

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established under Minnesota Statutes, section 403.36, subdivision 1e. The grants must be

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used to purchase or upgrade portable radios, mobile radios, and related equipment that is

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interoperable with the ARMER system. Each local government unit may receive only one

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grant. Each grant is contingent upon a match of at least five percent from nonstate funds.

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The director of the Department of Public Safety Emergency Communication Networks

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Division, in consultation with the Statewide Emergency Communications Board, must

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administer the grant program. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2028. This is a

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onetime appropriation.