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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce Development Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to the Minnesota
1.3 Technology Association.

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

1.5 Section 1. MINNESOTA TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION.

1.6 \$1,400,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,400,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
1.7 the general fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant
1.8 to the Minnesota Technology Association to support the SciTech internship program, a
1.9 program that supports science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) internship
1.10 opportunities for two- and four-year college students and graduate students in their fields
1.11 of study. The internship opportunities must match students with paid internships within
1.12 STEM disciplines at small, for-profit companies located in Minnesota having fewer than
1.13 250 employees worldwide. At least 325 students must be matched each year. No more than
1.14 15 percent of the hires may be graduate students. Selected hiring companies shall receive
1.15 from the grant 50 percent of the wages paid to the intern, capped at \$3,000 per intern. The
1.16 program must work toward increasing the participation among women or other underserved
1.17 populations. This is a onetime appropriation.