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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2792

03/09/2023 Authored by Wolgamott and Hassan The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; appropriating money for a grant to Teach for America.

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

1.4 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; TEACH FOR AMERICA.

1.5 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
1.6 the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for a grant to Teach
1.7 for America - Twin Cities to address the systemic shortage of teachers in the state. The
1.8 grant must be used for:

1.9 (1) expenses related to the recruitment, training, and placement of prospective teachers
1.10 who fill vacancies in shortage areas;

1.11 (2) expenses related to the recruitment and placement of experienced teachers, school
1.12 and system leaders, and the support of local education agencies in talent planning for high
1.13 impact instructional roles and school leadership vacancies; and

1.14 (3) expenses related to the professional development and retention of educators working
1.15 in both shortage areas and in communities experiencing significant challenges recruiting,
1.16 hiring, and retaining racially and ethnically diverse teachers close to the proportion of
1.17 students of color and indigenous students.