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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 4202

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Health and Human Services Finance Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; appropriating money for peer-run respite services;
1.3 requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; PEER-RUN RESPITE SERVICES.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have
1.7 the meaning given.

1.8 (b) "Arrowhead Adult Mental Health Region" includes the counties of: Carlton, Cook,
1.9 Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, and St. Louis, and the following tribes: Bois Forte (Nett Lake)
1.10 Band, Fond du Lac Band, and Grand Portage Band.

1.11 (c) "Peer-run respite organization" means a support service center that is owned, operated,
1.12 and administrated by persons with lived experiences of mental health or substance use
1.13 disorders and that is based in the community.

1.14 (d) "Region V+ Adult Mental Health Initiative" includes the counties of: Aitkin, Cass,
1.15 Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd, and Wadena, and the following tribes: Leech Lake Band and
1.16 Mille Lacs Band.

1.17 Subd. 2. Appropriation. (a) \$400,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$400,000 in fiscal year
1.18 2021 are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for two
1.19 yearly grants to provide peer-run respite services. Both grants must be for a peer-run respite
1.20 organization located in the Arrowhead Adult Mental Health Region or within the Region
1.21 V+ Adult Mental Health Initiative. Grants received under this section must supplement and
1.22 not replace mental health services currently offered by a county. This appropriation is in

2.1 addition to any other money appropriated for peer-run respite services and does not cancel  
2.2 but is available until expended.

2.3 (b) The commissioner of human services must establish requirements, including  
2.4 continuum of care requirements, for a peer-run respite organization to receive a grant.

2.5 (c) \$..... in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
2.6 of human services for data collection and reporting to the legislature required under paragraph  
2.7 (d).

2.8 (d) By November 1, 2021, the commissioner of human services, in consultation with  
2.9 the grantees, shall report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over mental health  
2.10 issues on the services provided, capacity of locations receiving grants, cost-savings realized  
2.11 by the community, and any additional information the commissioner deems useful.

2.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.