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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 4719

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

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to housing; appropriating money for a grant to Somali Community
Resettlement Services for a development project in the city of Minneapolis.

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

1.5 Section 1. <u>APPROPRIATION; SOMALI COMMUNITY RESETTLEMENT</u> 1.6 SERVICES.

\$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to Somali Community Resettlement Services (SCRS), a 501(c)(3) organization. This appropriation must be used to address the critical need for affordable housing and commercial space for the Somali community in Minneapolis by acquiring from the city of Minneapolis and developing a three-acre parcel of land to create a mixed-use residential and commercial development that will include a minimum of 60 affordable apartments and ten retail spaces. This appropriation includes money for land acquisition, site preparation, planning and design, and initial construction costs.

Section 1.