

**SENATE
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NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Higher Education

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; appropriating money for education initiatives to
1.3 support students who are or were in foster care.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS FOR FOSTERING EDUCATION INITIATIVES.**

1.6 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from the
1.7 general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for a grant to the Foster
1.8 Advocates Nonprofit Organization for an education support and wraparound service program
1.9 that provides assistance and support to individuals who were in foster care at the age of 13
1.10 or later, and for individuals who are transitioning from foster care to adulthood, up to age
1.11 27, to improve the likelihood of completing a degree and securing a stable career. The
1.12 program shall provide one-on-one mentoring, leadership development, and additional
1.13 resources to support each student's education journey through high school graduation and
1.14 institutions of higher education. This is a onetime appropriation.