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NINETY-SECOND SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Higher Education Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; adjusting certain state grant parameters; appropriating
1.3 money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 136A.121, subdivision 5.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 136A.121, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 5. **Grant stipends.** The grant stipend shall be based on a sharing of responsibility
1.7 for covering the recognized cost of attendance by the applicant, the applicant's family, and
1.8 the government. The amount of a financial stipend must not exceed a grant applicant's
1.9 recognized cost of attendance, as defined in subdivision 6, after deducting the following:

1.10 (1) the assigned student responsibility of at least ~~50~~47 percent of the cost of attending
1.11 the institution of the applicant's choosing;

1.12 (2) the assigned family responsibility as defined in section 136A.101; and

1.13 (3) the amount of a federal Pell grant award for which the grant applicant is eligible.

1.14 The minimum financial stipend is \$100 per academic year.

1.15 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.16 \$..... in fiscal year 2022 and \$..... in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from the general
1.17 fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for the state grant program
1.18 under Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.121.