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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Human Services Reform Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to capital investment; appropriating money for grants for emergency shelter
1.3 facilities.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; EMERGENCY SHELTER FACILITIES.**

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

1.8 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.

1.9 (c) "Eligible applicant" means a statutory or home rule charter city, county, Tribal
1.10 government, not-for-profit corporation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
1.11 Code, or housing and redevelopment authority established under Minnesota Statutes, section
1.12 469.003.

1.13 (d) "Emergency shelter facility" or "facility" means a facility that provides a safe, sanitary,
1.14 accessible, and suitable emergency shelter for individuals and families experiencing
1.15 homelessness, regardless of whether the facility provides emergency shelter during the day,
1.16 overnight, or both.

1.17 Subd. 2. Appropriation. \$75,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general
1.18 fund to the commissioner for grants to eligible applicants for the acquisition of property,
1.19 site preparation, including demolition, predesign, design, construction, renovation, furnishing,
1.20 and equipping of emergency shelter facilities in accordance with subdivision 3.

1.21 Subd. 3. Project criteria. (a) The commissioner shall prioritize grants under this section
1.22 for projects that improve or expand emergency shelter facility options by:

2.1 (1) adding additional emergency shelter facilities by renovating existing facilities not
2.2 currently operating as emergency shelter facilities;

2.3 (2) adding additional emergency shelter facility beds by renovating existing emergency
2.4 shelter facilities, including major projects that address an accumulation of deferred
2.5 maintenance or repair or replacement of mechanical, electrical, and safety systems and
2.6 components in danger of failure;

2.7 (3) adding additional emergency shelter facility beds through acquisition and construction
2.8 of new emergency shelter facilities; and

2.9 (4) improving the safety, sanitation, accessibility, and habitability of existing emergency
2.10 shelter facilities, including major projects that address an accumulation of deferred
2.11 maintenance or repair or replacement of mechanical, electrical, and safety systems and
2.12 components in danger of failure.

2.13 (b) A grant under this section may be used to pay for 100 percent of total project capital
2.14 expenditures, or a specified project phase, up to \$10,000,000 per project.

2.15 (c) All projects funded with a grant under this section must meet all applicable state and
2.16 local building codes at the time of project completion.

2.17 (d) The commissioner may use a competitive request for proposal process to identify
2.18 potential projects and eligible applicants on a statewide basis.

2.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2022.