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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Agriculture, Rural Development, and Housing Finance

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to housing; appropriating money for various Minnesota Housing Finance
1.3 Agency programs.

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

1.5 Section 1. **RENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR MENTALLY ILL; APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2019 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.7 of the Housing Finance Agency for the rental housing assistance program for persons with
1.8 a mental illness or families with an adult member with a mental illness under Minnesota
1.9 Statutes, section 462A.2097.

1.10 Sec. 2. **HOMEWORK STARTS WITH HOME; APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.11 (a) \$1,750,000 in fiscal year 2019 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.12 commissioner of the Housing Finance Agency for the rental assistance to highly mobile
1.13 students program under Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.201, subdivision 2, paragraph
1.14 (a), clause (4).

1.15 (b) \$250,000 in fiscal year 2019 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.16 of the Housing Finance Agency for grants to programs under Minnesota Statutes, section
1.17 462A.204, subdivision 8.

1.18 Sec. 3. **LOCAL HOUSING TRUST FUND GRANTS; APPROPRIATION.**

1.19 (a) \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2019 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.20 commissioner of the Housing Finance Agency for grants to housing trust funds established
1.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 462C.16, to incentivize local funding. This is a onetime

2.1 appropriation. Grants shall provide matching funds of 100 percent of the amount not
2.2 exceeding \$150,000 and 50 percent of the amount over \$150,000 and not exceeding
2.3 \$300,000 that a housing trust fund receives in fiscal years 2018 and 2019 from (1) a housing
2.4 and redevelopment authority levy or special tax pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, sections
2.5 469.001 to 469.047, or section 469.033, subdivision 6; or (2) an appropriation by the local
2.6 government of a municipality located outside the 11-county metropolitan area, as defined
2.7 in Minnesota Statutes, section 200.02, subdivision 24, and with a total population under
2.8 40,000. If the amount appropriated to the commissioner is insufficient to fully fund matching
2.9 grants at this level, the commissioner must proportionately reduce the amount transferred
2.10 to each housing trust fund.

2.11 (b) Recipients must use grant funds within eight years of receipt for purposes (1)
2.12 authorized under Minnesota Statutes, section 462C.16, subdivision 3, and (2) benefiting
2.13 households with incomes at or below 115 percent of the state median income. Recipients
2.14 must return any grant funds not used for these purposes within eight years of receipt to the
2.15 commissioner of the Housing Finance Agency.