

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETIETH SESSION**

S.F. No. 4037

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to Somali
1.3 American Women Action Center.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; SOMALI AMERICAN WOMEN ACTION CENTER.

1.6 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2019 is appropriated from the workforce development fund to
1.7 the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the Somali
1.8 American Women Action Center to provide wholistic community-based services tailored
1.9 toward Somali American women and young mothers, for women 18 to 28 years of age who
1.10 are facing multiple barriers to employment. The grant must be used to support job skills
1.11 and create pathways to future private and public employment sectors. Services include job
1.12 training, including sewing training; housing navigations; entrepreneurship development;
1.13 health care; mental health outreach; and workforce preparations. This is a onetime
1.14 appropriation and is available until June 30, 2020.