

SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETY-THIRD SESSION

S.F. No. 4219

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/26/2024	11805	Introduction and first reading Referred to Education Policy
03/14/2024		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to education; modifying uses of the special education teacher pipeline

1.3 grant; amending Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 122A.77, subdivision

1.4 2; Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 5, section 64, subdivision 12.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 122A.77, subdivision 2, is

1.7 amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 2. **Grant uses.** (a) A grant recipient must use grant funds to support participants

1.9 who are employed by the grant recipient ~~as either a paraprofessional or other unlicensed~~

1.10 ~~staff, or a teacher with a Tier 1 or Tier 2 license,~~ and demonstrate a willingness to be a

1.11 special education teacher after completing the program.

1.12 (b) A grant recipient may use grant funds for:

1.13 (1) tuition assistance or stipends for participants;

1.14 (2) supports for participants, including mentoring, licensure test preparation, and

1.15 technology support; or

1.16 (3) participant recruitment.

1.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

1.18 Sec. 2. Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 5, section 64, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

1.19 Subd. 12. **Special education teacher pipeline.** (a) For grants to develop special education

1.20 teacher pipelines across Minnesota under Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.731:

2.1 \$ 20,000,000 2024

2.2 \$ 10,000,000 2025

2.3 (b) This appropriation is subject to the requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section
2.4 122A.731, subdivision 5.

2.5 (c) The commissioner may allow a grant recipient to modify its program to align with
2.6 statutory changes to Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.731, made after the grant was awarded.

2.7 ~~(e)~~ (d) The base for fiscal year 2026 is \$0 and the base for fiscal year 2027 is \$10,000,000.

2.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.