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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Education Finance

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; modifying the P-TECH grant process; appropriating
1.3 money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 124D.093, subdivision 5;
1.4 Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 2, section 64, subdivision 33.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 124D.093, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 5. **P-TECH implementation grants: support; start-up; and mentoring**
1.8 **grants.** (a) When an appropriation is available, each P-TECH school is eligible for a grant
1.9 to support start-up and ongoing program costs, which may include, but are not limited to,
1.10 recruitment, student support, program materials, and P-TECH school liaisons. A P-TECH
1.11 school may form a partnership with a school in another school district.

1.12 (b) For fiscal year 2026 and later, the maximum P-TECH support grant must not exceed
1.13 \$500,000 per year.

1.14 (c) An approved P-TECH school is eligible to receive a grant to support start-up costs
1.15 the year before first enrolling P-TECH students. A start-up grant may be awarded to a new
1.16 applicant in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

1.17 (d) A grant recipient operating a P-TECH program may provide mentoring and technical
1.18 assistance to a school eligible for a start-up grant. A mentoring and technical assistance
1.19 grant may not exceed \$50,000.

1.20 (e) For each year that an appropriation is made for the purposes of this section, the
1.21 department may retain five percent of the appropriation for grant administration and program
1.22 oversight.

2.1 Sec. 2. Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 2, section 64, subdivision 33, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 33. **P-TECH schools.** (a) For P-TECH ~~support~~ implementation grants under
2.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.093, subdivision 5:

2.4 \$ 791,000 2024

2.5 \$ 791,000 2025

2.6 (b) The amounts in this subdivision are for grants, including to a public-private
2.7 partnership that includes Independent School District No. 535, Rochester. The fiscal year
2.8 2025 appropriation must include a grant of at least \$500,000 to a public-private partnership
2.9 that includes Independent School District No. 535, Rochester. The department may award
2.10 start-up grants and technical assistance grants beginning in fiscal year 2025.

2.11 (c) Any balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year. The
2.12 fiscal year 2025 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

2.13 (d) Up to five percent of the fiscal year 2024 appropriation is available for grant
2.14 administration.

2.15 (e) The base for fiscal year 2026 and later is \$791,000, of which at least \$500,000 is for
2.16 a support grant to a public-private partnership that includes Independent School District
2.17 No. 535, Rochester.

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