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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 4393

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; establishing a school hot lunch grant program for
1.3 students who do not qualify for free or reduced-price lunch; requiring a report;
1.4 appropriating money.

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

1.6 Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sums indicated in this section are
1.8 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years
1.9 designated.

1.10 Subd. 2. School hot lunch grant program. (a) For grants to school sites to assist in
1.11 paying for regular school hot lunches for students who do not qualify for free or reduced-price
1.12 lunches but who have extenuating financial circumstances:

1.13 \$ 500,000 2019

1.14 (b) The commissioner of education shall develop the form and method for applying for
1.15 grants under this subdivision. The commissioner shall develop criteria for determining the
1.16 allocation of the grants, including the amount of each grant and defining what extenuating
1.17 financial circumstances qualify a student to receive assistance.

1.18 (c) Annually by June 30, the commissioner of education must report to the chairs and
1.19 ranking minority members of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over kindergarten
1.20 through grade 12 education the number of school sites that received grants under this section,
1.21 the number of students served, and the number of meals purchased using grant funds during
1.22 the last school year.