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Introduction and first reading
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OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; appropriating money to address opioid-related issues
1.3 among specific communities.

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

1.5 Section 1. **PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION SERVICES TO ADDRESS**
1.6 **OPIOID ABUSE; APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the
1.8 general fund to the commissioner of public safety to make grants, in consultation with the
1.9 commissioner of human services, to community-based organizations for opioid-related
1.10 services focused on Native American; Black; African-born; lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans,
1.11 and queer; Latinx; and Asian and Pacific Islander populations and on youth and young
1.12 adults.

1.13 Subd. 2 **Eligible organizations.** (a) Grants under this section must be used for the
1.14 following:

1.15 (1) peer-to-peer advocacy training to allow individuals to navigate treatment and recovery
1.16 alongside counselors, psychiatrists, and therapists;

1.17 (2) training for treatment programs to create culturally sensitive treatment options;

1.18 (3) navigation to treatment programs that provide Rule 25 services on demand;

1.19 (4) community readiness models to develop strategic action plans on prevention,
1.20 treatment, and policy for specific geographic communities based on readiness scores and
1.21 community engagement and guidance;

2.1 (5) development of strategies for drug and alcohol policy changes at the state level and
2.2 advocacy for these changes; and

2.3 (6) the creation and implementation of a statewide social media, print, and billboard
2.4 campaign to address opioid and other addiction issues.

2.5 (b) Grants must be focused on Native American youth and young adults, as well as other
2.6 populations most affected by the opioid epidemic, including the Black; African-born; lesbian,
2.7 gay, bisexual, trans, and queer; Latinx; and Asian and Pacific Islander populations.

2.8 (c) A representative of a community-based organization that received a grant under this
2.9 section may collaborate with representatives from other organizations that received grants
2.10 to coordinate and develop strategies for receiving future funding.