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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; appropriating money for small school district  
1.3 disability access grants.

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

1.5 Section 1. **SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICT DISABILITY ACCESS GRANTS;**  
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. Department of Education. The sum indicated in this section is  
1.8 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal year  
1.9 designated.

1.10 Subd. 2. Small school district disability access grants. (a) For grants to small school  
1.11 districts to make facilities improvements necessary for ADA compliance:

1.12 § ..... .... 2024

1.13 (b) For purposes of this section, "small school district" means a public school district,  
1.14 not including a charter school, with an average daily membership of 550 or less in fiscal  
1.15 year 2021.

1.16 (c) The commissioner of education may award a small school district disability access  
1.17 grant of up to \$150,000 to each eligible school district. Priority must be given to public  
1.18 school districts with an operating capital average building age greater than 40 years in fiscal  
1.19 year 2021. A school district must apply for a small school district disability access grant in  
1.20 the form and manner specified by the commissioner. The application must include a detailed  
1.21 description of the school facilities improvements, including the total cost and the district's  
1.22 need for the project.

- 2.1 (d) A district that receives a grant under this section must match the grant with local  
2.2 district funds.
- 2.3 (e) This is a onetime appropriation. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.