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SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA **NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

A bill for an act

relating to economic development; appropriating money for minority business

S.F. No. 3083

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Development

1.3	development; requiring a report.
1.4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.5	Section 1. APPROPRIATION; MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT.
1.6	(a) \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.7	commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to the Metropolitan
1.8	Economic Development Association (MEDA) for statewide business development and
1.9	assistance services to minority-owned businesses. This is a onetime appropriation.
1.10	(b) Of the appropriation in paragraph (a):
1.11	(1) \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for a revolving loan fund to provide additional
1.12	minority-owned businesses with access to capital; and
1.13	(2) \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for operating support activities related to business
1.14	development and assistance services for minority business enterprises.
1.15	(c) By February 1, 2025, MEDA shall report to the commissioner and the chairs and
1.16	ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over economic
1.17	development policy and finance on the loans and operating support activities, including
1.18	outcomes and expenditures, supported by the appropriation under this section.

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