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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Development

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for job skills training for
1.3 recently released inmates.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

1.6 (a) \$425,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$425,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
1.7 the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic
1.8 development for a grant to Better Futures Minnesota to provide job skills training to
1.9 individuals who have been released from incarceration for a felony-level offense and are
1.10 no more than 12 months from the date of release.

1.11 (b) Better Futures Minnesota shall annually report to the commissioner on how the
1.12 money was spent and what results were achieved. The report must include, at a minimum,
1.13 information and data about the number of participants; participant homelessness, employment,
1.14 recidivism, and child support compliance; and job skills training provided to program
1.15 participants.