

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

**S.F. No. 3921**

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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 to intermediate school districts  
1.3 for special education registered apprenticeship programs.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; SPECIAL EDUCATION APPRENTICESHIP**  
1.6 **PROGRAMS.**

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 in the fiscal year  
1.9 designated.

1.10 Subd. 2. Special education apprenticeship programs. (a) For grants to intermediate  
1.11 school districts for special education registered apprenticeship programs:

1.12 \$ 1,030,000 ..... 2025

1.13 (b) The department must award grants of \$250,000 each to Intermediate School Districts  
1.14 Nos. 287, 288, 916, and 917. The grant funds must be used for special education registered  
1.15 apprenticeship programs. Grant funds may be used for:

1.16 (1) program oversight and administrative costs of the intermediate school district and  
1.17 its partner higher education institution;

1.18 (2) stipends and tuition, fees, and other direct program costs incurred by apprentices;

1.19 (3) stipends for teachers serving as mentors; and

1.20 (4) the cost of substitute teachers.

1.21 (c) Up to three percent of the appropriation is available for grant administration.

2.1 (d) This appropriation does not cancel but is available until June 30, 2027.

2.2 (e) This is a onetime appropriation.