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OFFICIAL STATUS  
Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; authorizing a program to provide community violence  
1.3 prevention programs and nontraditional counseling services for children in  
1.4 communities of color; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in  
1.5 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A.

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

1.7 Section 1. [299A.2955] MARTIN LUTHER KING NONVIOLENT INSTITUTIONAL  
1.8 CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

1.9 (a) The Office of Justice Programs in the Department of Public Safety in consultation  
1.10 with the Community Care Clinics of Minnesota shall coordinate the planning and designing  
1.11 of the Martin Luther King nonviolent institutional child development program and counseling  
1.12 services which shall provide:

- 1.13 (1) multi-institutional interdisciplinary community violence prevention programs;
- 1.14 (2) multi-institutional interdisciplinary intervention programs; and
- 1.15 (3) nontraditional counseling services.

1.16 (b) The programs under paragraph (a) may provide services to the following entities:

- 1.17 (1) elementary and secondary schools;
- 1.18 (2) social service programs and agencies;
- 1.19 (3) youth programs and services;
- 1.20 (4) juvenile delinquency programs;
- 1.21 (5) residential treatment facilities;

2.1 (6) foster homes;

2.2 (7) law enforcement agencies;

2.3 (8) medical centers;

2.4 (9) mental health programs; and

2.5 (10) religious outreach programs.

2.6 (c) The services of the programs under paragraph (a) shall include any or all of the  
2.7 following:

2.8 (1) development and implementation of each participating entity's long-range community  
2.9 violence prevention plan for school-age children;

2.10 (2) development and implementation of each participating entity's community violence  
2.11 intervention plan for children affected by violence in the community;

2.12 (3) identification and implementation of each participating entity's training and staffing  
2.13 needs;

2.14 (4) development and implementation of a network among participating entities to  
2.15 coordinate services, share information, and develop common strategies for violence  
2.16 prevention and intervention;

2.17 (5) development and implementation of a licensed program providing curriculum for  
2.18 state licensure of nontraditional counselors and providing access to nontraditional counseling  
2.19 services that meet criteria for billing through Medicare and Medicaid; and

2.20 (6) funding for each participating entity's violence prevention and intervention and  
2.21 nontraditional counseling programs.

2.22 (d) Except as required for mandatory reporting under chapter 626, any information  
2.23 received by an institution described in this section is privileged and not required to be  
2.24 disclosed to law enforcement agencies or in a court. Notwithstanding any other law to the  
2.25 contrary, persons in the program are authorized to receive information from law enforcement  
2.26 agencies, schools, mortuaries, medical examiners, physicians, and social service agencies  
2.27 necessary to provide services to children impacted by homicide. Law enforcement agencies,  
2.28 schools, social service agencies, and other participating institutions subject to chapter 13  
2.29 are authorized to share and receive private or confidential data on individuals or nonpublic  
2.30 data with participating institutions, as necessary to provide services to children impacted  
2.31 by homicide.

3.1 (e) The Office of Justice Programs shall provide oversight of the program and shall meet  
 3.2 with the Departments of Health and Human Services, school districts, and the Department  
 3.3 of Corrections at least once a year to discuss intervention strategies used by the program  
 3.4 and the program's effectiveness.

3.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

3.6 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

3.7 \$..... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of  
 3.8 public safety for the Office of Justice Programs to provide a grant to the Community Care  
 3.9 Clinics of Minnesota for the Martin Luther King nonviolent institutional child development  
 3.10 program and nontraditional counseling services in section 1 and to pay related costs and  
 3.11 expenses. This appropriation is available through June 30, 2024.