

**SENATE
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NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

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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 a grant to the Latino
1.3 Economic Development Center.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

1.6 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from
1.7 the workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic
1.8 development for a grant to the Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC). Grant
1.9 proceeds may be used to assist, support, finance, and launch microentrepreneurs by delivering
1.10 training, workshops, and one-on-one consultations to businesses as well as capacity building
1.11 and general operations. Proceeds may also be used to assist prospective entrepreneurs in
1.12 the start-up process by introducing prospective entrepreneurs to key business concepts,
1.13 including business start-up readiness and innovating career pathways into trades, green
1.14 lending, technology, coding, STEM careers, translation services, and manufacturing.