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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to economic development; appropriating funds for business training courses
1.3 targeted at women of color.

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

1.5 Section 1. **WOMENVENTURE; APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$..... in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of
1.7 employment and economic development for a grant to WomenVenture to provide their core
1.8 business courses on location in three communities in the Twin Cities with significant
1.9 populations of Hispanic, African-American, Hmong, and American Indian women. Funds
1.10 may be used for program expenses including but not limited to: hiring trainers; space rental;
1.11 and supportive services to help participants attend the training, including assistance with
1.12 course fees, child care, transportation, and safe and stable housing. In addition, up to
1.13 percent of grant funds may be used for WomenVenture's administrative costs. This is a
1.14 onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2019.