

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to childcare; requiring reports; appropriating money for childcare business  
1.3 training.

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

1.5 Section 1. **WOMENVENTURE CHILDCARE BUSINESS TRAINING;**  
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 \$140,000 in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
1.8 of employment and economic development for a grant to WomenVenture to operate a  
1.9 business training program for childcare providers and to create materials that could be used,  
1.10 free of charge, for start-up, expansion, and operation of childcare businesses statewide, with  
1.11 the goal of helping new and existing childcare businesses in underserved areas of the state  
1.12 become profitable and sustainable. The commissioner shall report data on outcomes and  
1.13 recommendations for replication of this training program throughout Minnesota to the  
1.14 governor and the committees of the house of representatives and the senate with jurisdiction  
1.15 over childcare by December 15, 2019. This is a onetime appropriation and funds are available  
1.16 until June 30, 2019.