

**Subject** Higher education: health technician scholarship program

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### Overview

This bill establishes a new program within the Office of Higher Education (OHE) to provide up to 1,000 scholarships of \$5,000 each to students entering programs in specified health technician fields. The program receives a onetime appropriation that is available through June 2025.

### Summary

Section	Description
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1	<b>Allied health technician scholarship program.</b>
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**Subd. 1. Establishment.** Establishes the program in OHE and sets out its purpose.

**Subd. 2. Eligible student.** Lays out student eligibility criteria. The scholarships are for students newly entering the specified health technician programs and may be received only once per student.

**Subd. 3. Administration; award amount.** Requires OHE to create an application process. Award amounts are \$5,000 single-payment awards.

**Subd. 4. Reporting.** Requires two annual reports to the legislature on the program.

**Subd. 5. Expiration.** Provides that the program expires June 30, 2025.

2	<b>Appropriation.</b>
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Appropriates \$5,380,000 in onetime funding for the program in section 1. The funds are available until June 30, 2025. Of the appropriated amount:

- \$5,000,000 is for student scholarships;
- \$230,000 is for promotion and recruitment; and
- \$150,000 is for program administration.



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