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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

H. F. No. 1791

03/03/2025 Authored by Scott and Niska The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; authorizing a school district to offer career and
1.3 technical education postsecondary scholarships and postsecondary grants; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 123B.02, by adding a subdivision; 124D.452;
1.5 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 123B.02, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.8 to read:

1.9 Subd. 26. Postsecondary scholarships and grants for career and technical students. A
1.10 school board may expend school funds for postsecondary scholarships and postsecondary
1.11 grants consistent with section 124D.4532.

1.12 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 124D.452, is amended to read:

1.13 124D.452 DISTRICT REPORT; CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

1.14 (a) Each district and cooperative center must report data to the Department of Education
1.15 for all career and technical education programs as required by the department.

1.16 (b) A district or cooperative center offering a postsecondary scholarship or grant
1.17 consistent with section 124D.4532 must report its revenue and expenditures for the program
1.18 in the form and manner required by the department.

2.1 Sec. 3. [124D.4532] POSTSECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR
2.2 CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENTS.

2.3 Subdivision 1. Eligibility. A career and technical education program operated by a
2.4 school district or a cooperative unit may provide a postsecondary scholarship or a
2.5 postsecondary grant to an eligible student. An eligible student must:

2.6 (1) apply for the scholarship or grant during the student's senior year in the form and
2.7 manner specified by the school board;

2.8 (2) successfully complete the career and technical education course that generated the
2.9 net proceeds; and

2.10 (3) graduate from a Minnesota high school.

2.11 Subd. 2. Scholarship and grant amounts. (a) A school district or cooperative unit may
2.12 annually set aside some or all net proceeds from a career and technical program when the
2.13 revenue generated by the program is greater than the costs the school incurred in offering
2.14 the program. The Department of Education may provide accounting guidelines to the school
2.15 district or cooperative unit to determine the program's net proceeds.

2.16 (b) A school district may determine the amount of each individual student scholarship
2.17 or grant so as not to exceed the annual net proceeds calculated under paragraph (a).

2.18 (c) A scholarship or grant may be used by a student for tuition and expenses to attend a
2.19 postsecondary institution, the costs of a certificate program, or a student's costs associated
2.20 with enrollment in a registered apprenticeship program. A grant may be used by a student
2.21 directly entering the workforce or military for supplies needed for the student's chosen career
2.22 pathway.

2.23 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025.