

Subject Local Homeless Prevention Aid

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Overview

Creates a new state aid to counties that can be used to fund family homeless prevention and assistance projects. The aid would be administered by the Department of Revenue and would distribute \$55,000,000 annually.

Summary

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Subd. 1. Definitions. Provides definitions for “city” and “family.”

Subd. 2. Purpose. Defines the purpose of the aid, which is to ensure no child is homeless by keeping families from losing housing and helping those experiencing homelessness find housing.

Subd. 3. Distribution. Sets each county’s share of the overall distribution at its percentage share of students experiencing homelessness. This percentage is based on the most recent data available from the Minnesota Department of Education.

Subd. 4. Use of proceeds. Requires counties to use aid distributions to fund family homeless prevention and assistance projects and programs that are administered by either a county, a group of counties, a city, a group of cities, a tribe, a group of tribes, or a community-based nonprofit organization. This subdivision also sets certain requirements for these projects.

Subd. 5. Payments. Requires the commissioner of revenue to calculate each county’s annual aid by August 1 of the year prior to the year the aid is paid. Aid amounts are paid annually in two installments on July 20 and December 26.

Subd. 6. Appropriation. Establishes an annual appropriation of \$55,000,000 from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue for homeless prevention aid.

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Subd. 7. Report. Requires the commissioner of revenue to submit a report to the legislature by January 15, 2024. The report must include a list of projects funded by the counties, the number of people served, and the impacts of these projects on the people they serve. The report must be updated every two years.

Effective date: Effective beginning with aids payable in 2022.



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