

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2441, the delete everything amendment
1.2 (A25-0074), as follows:

1.3 Page 83, after line 21, insert:

1.4 "Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116J.682, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.5 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** The commissioner shall establish the small business assistance
1.6 partnerships program to make grants to local and regional community-based organizations
1.7 to provide small business development and technical assistance services to entrepreneurs
1.8 and small business owners, or to revitalize or strengthen downtown and neighborhood
1.9 commercial districts.

1.10 Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116J.682, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.11 Subd. 3. **Small business assistance partnerships grants.** (a) The commissioner shall
1.12 make small business assistance partnerships grants to local and regional community-based
1.13 organizations to provide small business development and technical assistance services to
1.14 entrepreneurs and small business owners, or to revitalize or strengthen downtown and
1.15 neighborhood commercial districts. The commissioner must prioritize applications that
1.16 provide services to underserved populations and geographies.

1.17 (b) Grantees shall use the grant funds to provide high-quality, free professional business
1.18 development and technical assistance services that support the start-up, growth, and success
1.19 of Minnesota's entrepreneurs and small business owners.

1.20 (c) Grantees may use up to 15 percent of grant funds for expenses incurred while
1.21 administering the grant, including but not limited to expenses related to technology, utilities,
1.22 legal services, training, accounting, insurance, financial management, benefits, reporting,
1.23 servicing of loans, and audits."

- 2.1 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references
- 2.2 Amend the title accordingly