

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2019 as follows:

1.2 Page 2, after line 2, insert:

1.3 "Sec. 2. MINNESOTA NONPROFIT RELIEF GRANTS; APPROPRIATIONS.

1.4 Subdivision 1. Appropriations. (a) \$30,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is appropriated from
1.5 the coronavirus relief fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development
1.6 for grants under this section to nonprofits experiencing financial hardship as a result of the
1.7 COVID-19 pandemic. Fifty percent of the grants must be distributed to nonprofits outside
1.8 the seven-county metropolitan area, as defined under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121,
1.9 subdivision 2. Of this amount, \$15,000,000 is for grants to nonprofits that serve underserved
1.10 communities and up to three percent may be used for the administrative costs incurred in
1.11 making these payments.

1.12 (b) In the event that the grants under this section are found not to be an eligible use of
1.13 the coronavirus relief fund, the appropriation in paragraph (a) is canceled and instead
1.14 \$30,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.15 of employment and economic development for grants under this section to nonprofits
1.16 experiencing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Fifty percent of the
1.17 grants must be distributed to nonprofits outside the seven-county metropolitan area, as
1.18 defined under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2. Of this amount,
1.19 \$15,000,000 is for grants to nonprofits that serve underserved communities and up to three
1.20 percent may be used for the administrative costs incurred in making these payments.

1.21 Subd. 2. Grants. (a) To be eligible for a grant under this section, a nonprofit must, to
1.22 the extent it is feasible for the commissioner of employment and economic development to
1.23 determine:

1.24 (1) be located in the state of Minnesota;

2.1 (2) have a permanent physical location;

2.2 (3) have no current tax liens on record with the secretary of state as of the time of
2.3 application for a grant; and

2.4 (4) be able to demonstrate financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

2.5 (b) Nonprofits may use grant funds under this section for working capital to support
2.6 providing continued services, including the expenses of payroll, rent, mortgage, utilities,
2.7 and other similar expenses that occur in the regular course of operations.

2.8 (c) The commissioner of employment and economic development is authorized to develop
2.9 all criteria, forms, applications, and reporting requirements necessary to issue these grants.

2.10 (d) Grants and the process of making grants under this section are exempt from the
2.11 following statutes and related policies: Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.15, subdivision 3;
2.12 16B.97; and 16B.98, subdivisions 5, 7, and 8.

2.13 Subd. 3. Report to the legislature. By December 31, 2022, the commissioner of
2.14 employment and economic development shall submit a report to the chairs of the legislative
2.15 committees with jurisdiction over economic development detailing the use of funds under
2.16 this section."

2.17 Amend the title as follows:

2.18 Page 1, line 3, before the period, insert "; appropriating money for grants to nonprofits
2.19 experiencing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic"