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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

The Collaborative Urban Educator (CUE) program has been in existence for about 14 years. The CUE program provides grants to Concordia University, Hamline University, and the University of St. Thomas to provide teacher training for populations that are underrepresented in the teaching profession. Each of the three programs works with local school districts and has a different emphasis. Concordia's program, the South East Asian Teacher licensure program, is focused on paraprofessionals whose first language is other than English and who are already working in Minnesota school districts. St. Thomas' program, the original CUE program, focuses on training special education teachers. Hamline's program, a part of the school's Center for Excellence in Urban Teaching, is designed to help meet the need for new teachers of color.

The CUE program has an appropriation of \$528,000 per year that was included in the 2009 omnibus education bill. That bill however, inadvertently excluded the specific distribution of the funds.

### Section

- 1 CUE program appropriation.** Corrects a drafting error by adding the specific grant amounts for each of the three participating programs and sets the amount at: \$210,000 for Concordia University in St. Paul; \$159,000 for the University of St. Thomas; and \$159,000 for Hamline University.