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Overview

This bill amends provisions relating to youth intervention program grants. "The intent of the youth intervention program is to provide an ongoing stable funding source to community-based early intervention programs for youth." Each grant is contingent upon local matching money equaling two times the grant amount.

Section

- 1 Grants.** Adds restorative justice programs to the list of youth intervention programs that qualify for grants under this section. (Restorative justice is a framework designed to engage victims, offenders, and the community in repairing the harm caused by crime.)
- 2 Applications.** Increases the maximum grant amount to an agency from \$50,000 to \$75,000.
- 3 Grant allocation formula.** Increases, from one to five percent, the percentage of the appropriation that may be used by the Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association for providing training and technical assistance to grantees.

Authorizes: (1) redistribution of grant money if a program is terminated or elects not to receive some or all grant money available to it, and (2) continued funding if two programs merge so long as the original programs are maintained.

- 4 Appropriation.** Appropriates \$1,603,300 in FY12 and FY13 for youth intervention program grants under this section. Provides that the appropriation must be used for grants to organizations to provide early intervention services. Directs the appropriations to be included in the base budget.