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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill provides an appropriation to the commissioner of human services to provide grants for school-based mental health services.

Section

Appropriation; children's school-linked mental health services. Makes an unspecified appropriation to the commissioner of human services for school-linked mental health services. Requires targeting at least 25 percent of the funds to providers that can serve schools with the highest percentage of students with an emotional and behavioral disorder, high poverty, or high use of prone restraints. Requires the commissioner to distribute grants to rural and urban counties. Requires grantees to use all available third-party reimbursement sources. Requires the commissioner to consult with school districts not receiving grants but wish to collaborate with a community mental health provider to provide school-linked mental health services.