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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

Minnesota's schools may form together in joint powers cooperative units to provide different types of services, often because a cooperative unit can provide economies of scale when operating certain types of programs. Common school-related cooperative units in Minnesota include service cooperatives, special education cooperatives, career and technical cooperatives (formerly called secondary vocational cooperatives), education districts, and intermediate school districts.

The Pine to Prairie Cooperative Center was initially organized as a secondary vocational cooperative and continues to provide career and technical services to its member school districts.

This bill appropriates a total of \$350,000 for a grant to the Pine to Prairie Cooperative Center to provide mobile manufacturing labs in cooperation with Northland Community and Technical College.

### Section

- 1 Appropriation; northwest mobile manufacturing lab.** Appropriates \$175,000 per year in both fiscal year 2016 and 2017 for a grant to the Pine to Prairie Cooperative Center for a collaborative project with Northland Community and Technical College to operate two mobile manufacturing labs and two mobile welding labs.