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Overview

This bill creates the Smile Healthy Minnesota 2016 Grant Program and provides for requirements of the grant and an appropriation to the commissioner of health to administer the grant.

Section

- 1** **Smile Healthy Minnesota 2016 Grant Program.** Adds § 145.9299. Requires the commissioner of health to establish a grant program to provide access to dental care for at-risk children, adolescents, adults, and seniors in rural areas in Minnesota. States requirements for nonprofits to establish eligibility for the grant, including, but not limited to, providing mobile dental care, having fewer than 20 employees, encouraging early screening, and providing dental care. Requires grantees to report outcomes to the commissioner by December 31, 2018.
- 2** **Appropriation; Smile Healthy Minnesota 2016.** Appropriates \$500,000 in fiscal years 2016 and 2017 to the commissioner of health from the general fund for Smile Healthy Minnesota 2016 grants. States the appropriations are available until expended.