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Overview

Establishes education partnerships program to support coordinated education partnerships and form a network of support services in neighborhoods experiencing poverty. Program includes three levels of tiers for grants, corresponding to type of supporting activity.

Section

- 1 **Education partnerships program.** Establishes a program to support coordinated education partnerships to form a network of support services in neighborhoods experiencing poverty.
 - Subd. 1. Program establishment.** Establishes education partnerships program.
 - Subd. 2. Definitions.** Defines three tiers of grants:
 - (a) Tier 1 grants are sustaining grants to maintain the operations of existing program locations.
 - (b) Tier 2 grants are implementation grants to expand existing program locations.
 - (c) Tier 3 grants are community planning grants for initial planning and development of program locations.
 - Subd. 3. Administration; design.** Requires commissioner of education to establish program requirements and a process for making grants.
 - Subd. 4. Requirements.** Provides a program to provide supportive services within specific community and geographic areas, and evaluate outcomes.

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Subd. 5. Grants. Requires the commissioner to award grants to qualifying recipients that have nonstate funds, including in-kind contributions.

Subd. 6. Legislative report. Requires the commissioner to submit a legislative report on recipients and their activities.

2 Appropriations. Provides boilerplate appropriations language.

Subd. 1. Commissioner of education. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education.

Subd. 2. Tier 1 grants. Appropriates \$4,100,000 in 2018 and \$4,100,000 in 2019 for Tier 1 grants to the Northside Achievement Zone, and St. Paul Promise Neighborhood.

Subd. 3. Tier 2 implementing grants. Appropriates \$675,000 in 2018 and \$675,000 in 2019 for Tier 2 grants to the Northfield Healthy Community Initiative, Jones Family Foundation for the Every Hand Joined program, and \$225,000 for the United Way of Central Minnesota for the Partners for Student Success program.

Subd. 4. Tier 3 community planning grants. Appropriates \$200,000 in 2018 and \$400,000 in 2019 for Tier 3 grants, including \$100,000 each year for Austin Aspires.

Subd. 5. Administrative cost. Appropriates \$134,000 in 2018 and \$134,000 in 2019 for department administrative costs associated with the education partnership program.