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### Overview

The Minnesota Math Corps is one of several programs run by ServeMinnesota, which is the name of a state grant program designed to work in concert with federal youth service programs. ServeMinnesota is the statutorily designated recipient of federal Americorps funds. Youth service programs are generally designed to provide the participant with skills and training while creating an opportunity for the participant to perform tasks that benefit the community.

The ServeMinnesota program awards grants to program providers on a competitive-grant basis. The program provider combines the state grant money with federal money and provides the participants with living expenses or a stipend, health insurance, child care if needed, and a postservice educational award of up to \$5,775 for the 2016-17 school year, which may be used for higher education costs or to repay student loans.

The Minnesota Math Corps has operated since 2007 and has received a line-item of state funding of \$250,000 per year since the 2013-14 school year. The Minnesota Math Corps focuses on providing math tutors for students in grades 4 through 8 and has plans to have math tutors at more than 100 sites for the coming school year. This bill proposes to raise the level of state funding for the Math Corps to \$2 million per year.

### Section

- 1 Minnesota Math Corps appropriations.** Appropriates \$2 million per year from the general fund to the commissioner of education for support of the Minnesota Math Corps program operated by ServeMinnesota.