

Subject Grants to address racial and ethnic disparities in prenatal care

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Overview

This bill allows the commissioner of health to award grants under the eliminating health disparities program for projects to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care, and appropriates money for these grants.

Summary

Section	Description
1	<p>Goal; establishment.</p> <p>Amends § 145.928. Adds access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care, to the list of priority areas in the eliminating health disparities program operated by the commissioner of health.</p>
2	<p>Community grant program; immunization rates, prenatal care access and utilization, and infant mortality rates.</p> <p>Amends § 145.928, subd. 7. Allows the commissioner of health to award grants through the eliminating health disparities grant program, for projects to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care.</p>
3	<p>Appropriation.</p> <p>Appropriates \$5 million each fiscal year from the general fund to the commissioner of health for grants to decrease racial and ethnic disparities in access to and utilization of high-quality prenatal care.</p>