

**Subject** Grant to Reach Out and Read Minnesota program

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## Summary

This bill appropriates \$250,000 in fiscal year 2023 to the Department of Education for a grant to the Reach Out and Read Minnesota program and puts \$250,000 in the base for the program.

The Reach Out and Read Minnesota program must use the grant to develop and implement a plan statewide that: (1) integrates children's books and parent education into well-child doctor's visits; (2) creates literacy-rich environments in clinics; (3) works with different types of clinics and health centers, including in underserved areas; and (4) trains medical professionals about speaking with parents of young children about the importance of early literacy. The plan must be implemented statewide by 2029.