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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on E-12 Education

March 1, 2007

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:
To Pass and re-referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; appropriating money for a preschool program and home
1.3 visiting program for children diagnosed with mental illness or developmental
1.4 delays.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2008 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2009 are appropriated
1.8 from the general fund to the commissioner of education for the biennium beginning July
1.9 1, 2007, for a program in underserved counties designed to ensure school readiness
1.10 for children from birth to kindergarten and their families who are at risk of or have
1.11 been diagnosed with mental illness or developmental delays due to fetal alcohol or drug
1.12 exposure, child neglect, or abuse, to ensure school readiness of these children.