

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; restoring senior nutrition funding; providing senior  
1.3 nutrition grants to serve certain populations; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **SENIOR NUTRITION FUNDING.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Increase in base funding.** \$822,000 is appropriated from the general  
1.7 fund to the commissioner of human services for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, to  
1.8 restore funding for senior nutrition programs under Minnesota Statutes, section 256.9752.  
1.9 This funding shall become part of the base funding for senior nutrition programs for the  
1.10 biennium beginning July 1, 2009.

1.11 Subd. 2. **Targeted grants.** \$200,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the  
1.12 commissioner of human services for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, to be used to  
1.13 provide two-year grants to senior nutrition programs to fund innovative methods of  
1.14 delivering services to: (1) persons facing language or cultural barriers in accessing  
1.15 services; (2) persons with special diets; (3) persons living in isolated rural areas; and (4)  
1.16 other hard-to-serve populations. Grants may be renewed for additional two-year periods,  
1.17 if the commissioner of human services determines that a grant recipient has significantly  
1.18 increased access to services for a hard-to-serve population. This funding shall become part  
1.19 of the base funding for senior nutrition programs for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009.