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NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; establishing a statewide public safety radio communication  
1.3 system equipment grant program; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO**  
1.6 **COMMUNICATION SYSTEM EQUIPMENT GRANTS.**

1.7 \$250,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the state fiscal recovery federal  
1.8 fund to the commissioner of public safety for grants to local government units, federally  
1.9 recognized Tribal entities, and state agencies participating in the statewide Allied Radio  
1.10 Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) public safety radio communication system  
1.11 established under Minnesota Statutes, section 403.36, subdivision 1e. The grants must be  
1.12 used to purchase or upgrade portable radios, mobile radios, and related equipment that is  
1.13 interoperable with the ARMER system. Each local government unit may receive only one  
1.14 grant. The grant is contingent upon a match of at least five percent from nonstate funds.  
1.15 The director of the Department of Public Safety Emergency Communication Networks  
1.16 division, in consultation with the Statewide Emergency Communications Board, must  
1.17 administer the grant program. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

1.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.