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SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA NINETY-THIRD SESSION

A bill for an act

relating to veterans affairs; requiring reporting on grants issued by the commissioner

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to State and Local Government and Veterans

1.3 1.4	of veterans affairs; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.
1.5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.6	Section 1. [197.62] GRANTEE EVALUATIONS.
1.7	(a) Beginning January 15, 2025, and each year thereafter, the commissioner of veterans
1.8	affairs must submit a report on organizations that received grants from the agency in the
1.9	preceding fiscal year to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
1.10	committees with jurisdiction over veterans affairs policy and finance.
1.11	(b) The report required under paragraph (a) must include the following information from
1.12	each grant recipient:
1.13	(1) a summary of the purpose of the grant;
1.14	(2) the grant amount provided to the grantee;
1.15	(3) the amount of previous grants issued by the commissioner to the grantee;
1.16	(4) the amount of other state and federal grants received by the grantee in the most recent
1.17	fiscal year;
1.18	(5) the number of veterans and active service members served by the grantee;
1.19	(6) the number of family members of veterans and active service members served by
1.20	the grantee;

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(7) the number of veterans and veteran family members who successfully completed
the grantee's programming and the criteria used to determine successful completion of the
program; and
(8) the organization's charitable giving ratio.
(c) If a grantee used grant money to provide services to any veterans or veteran family
members who reside outside of Minnesota, the grantee must list the states where the
non-Minnesota participants reside and an explanation of why grant money was used to
provide services to non-Minnesota residents.

(d) The commissioner is not required to provide information in response to paragraph

(b), clause (7), for a grantee that does not offer programming that requires completion or

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