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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance

Referred by Chair to Higher Education and Work Force Development Policy and Finance Division.

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Returned to the Education Finance and Economic Competitiveness Finance Division as Amended.

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; transferring the American Indian scholarship;
1.3 requiring an office to distribute the scholarships; appropriating money.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARSHIP.**

1.6 Administration of the American Indian scholarship program under Minnesota
1.7 Statutes, section 124D.84, is transferred from the Department of Education to the
1.8 Minnesota Office of Higher Education. The Minnesota Office of Higher Education
1.9 must maintain an office with at least one staff person at Bemidji State University for the
1.10 distribution of scholarships under this section. Office space and support may be provided
1.11 by Bemidji State University at no cost to the scholarship program.

1.12 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATIONS; AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.**

1.13 \$1,875,000 each year for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, is appropriated from
1.14 the general fund to the Minnesota Office of Higher Education for American Indian
1.15 scholarships under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.84.

1.16 Sec. 3. **REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.**

1.17 The revisor of statutes shall renumber Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.84 to
1.18 section 136A.126, correct cross-references, and make other necessary corrections to
1.19 implement section 1.