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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to appropriations; appropriating money for youthbuild.

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

1.4 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; YOUTHBUILD.**

1.5 \$2,000,000 each year for fiscal years 2008 and 2009 are appropriated from the  
1.6 general fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development for the  
1.7 youthbuild program under Minnesota Statutes, sections 116L.361 to 116L.366. This  
1.8 appropriation is for:

1.9 (1) restoring the three youthbuild programs that were eliminated due to budget  
1.10 reductions and adding seven more youthbuild programs statewide;

1.11 (2) restoring funding levels for all youthbuild programs plus an inflationary increase  
1.12 for each program;

1.13 (3) increasing the number of at-risk youth served by the youthbuild programs from  
1.14 260 youth per year to 500 youth per year; and

1.15 (4) restoring the youthbuild focus on careers in technology and adding a youthbuild  
1.16 focus on careers in the medical field.