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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 employment; authorizing employment support for persons with mental
1.3 illness; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT; SPECIAL PROJECTS.**

1.6 (a) The commissioner of employment and economic development shall fund special
1.7 projects providing employment support to:

1.8 (1) young people with mental illness who are transitioning from school to work;

1.9 (2) people with a serious mental illness who are receiving services through a mental
1.10 health court; and

1.11 (3) people with serious mental illness who are receiving services through a civil
1.12 commitment court.

1.13 (b) Projects under paragraph (a) must demonstrate interagency collaboration.

1.14 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.15 (a) \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2008 from the general fund to the
1.16 commissioner of employment and economic development to fund special projects focused
1.17 on providing employment support under section 1.

1.18 (b) \$..... in fiscal year 2008 and \$..... in fiscal year 2009 are appropriated
1.19 to the commissioner of employment and economic development for the extended
1.20 employment-serious mental illness program.