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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 health; appropriating money for a statewide hearing aid loan bank for
1.3 infants and children who are deaf or who have a hearing loss.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$140,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of health for
1.7 the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, for the purpose of providing a statewide hearing
1.8 aid and instrument loan bank to families with children newly diagnosed with hearing
1.9 loss from birth to the age of ten. This appropriation shall cover the administrative costs
1.10 of the program.