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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 education; establishing a grant for the St. Paul neighborhood
1.3 circulators; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **ST. PAUL NEIGHBORHOOD CIRCULATORS GRANT.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Grant.** St. Paul shall provide free, accessible neighborhood
1.7 transportation that promotes youth community engagement by connecting youth to
1.8 enriching, learning, and development experiences after school and on Saturdays. The
1.9 circulator shall link learning sites such as libraries, parks, recreational centers, and other
1.10 local organizations during nonschool hours.

1.11 Subd. 2. **Project Goals.** The St. Paul neighborhood circulators shall:

- 1.12 (1) increase children's opportunities for learning and development in
- 1.13 neighborhood-based activities after school and on Saturdays;
- 1.14 (2) strengthen the neighborhood as a place for children's learning and development;
- 1.15 (3) promote the development and education of children;
- 1.16 (4) reduce truancy;
- 1.17 (5) foster cooperation and coordination among public and private youth service
- 1.18 providers; and
- 1.19 (6) improve the visibility of the neighborhood network of youth programs.

1.20 Subd. 3. **Report.** The grant holders shall report to the legislative committees
1.21 having jurisdiction over the early education and kindergarten through grade 12 education
1.22 programs on how the St. Paul neighborhood circulators achieved the project goals of
1.23 improving educational outcomes for children in the city.

2.1 **Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION.**

2.2 Subdivision 1. **Department of Education.** The sums indicated in this section are
2.3 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years
2.4 designated.

2.5 Subd. 2. **St. Paul Neighborhood Circulators.** For a grant to the St. Paul
2.6 neighborhood circulators for the yearly management of ten neighborhood circulators:

2.7	<u>\$</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>2008</u>
2.8	<u>\$</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>.....</u>	<u>2009</u>