

**Subject** Disability Services Technology and Advocacy Expansion Grant

**Authors** Curran and others

**Analyst** Danyell A. Punelli

**Date** March 13, 2025

## Overview

This bill establishes a disability services technology and advocacy expansion grant and appropriates \$500,000 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for the grant.

## Summary

Section Description

---

- 1 **Disability services technology and advocacy expansion grant.**  
Creates § 256.4768. Establishes a disability services technology and advocacy expansion grant.
- Subd. 1. Establishment.** Establishes a disability services technology and advocacy expansion grant to support the expansion of assistive technology and remote support services and strengthen advocacy efforts for individuals with disabilities and the providers who serve individuals with disabilities. Requires the commissioner of human services to award the grant to an eligible grantee.
- Subd. 2. Eligible grantee.** Lists the criteria an eligible grantee must meet.
- Subd. 3. Allowable uses of grant funds.** Lists the allowable uses of grant funds.
- Subd. 4. Evaluation and reporting requirements.** Requires the grant recipient to submit an annual report by June 30 of each year to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over disability services. Lists the information that must be included in the annual report. Requires a final evaluation to be submitted to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over disability services to assess the overall impact on expanding access to assistive technology and remote support.
- 2 **Appropriation; disability services technology and advocacy expansion grant.**  
Appropriates \$500,000 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for disability services technology and

Section	Description
---------	-------------

---

	advocacy expansion grants. Sets the base appropriations for fiscal years 2028 to 2031.
--	--



*Minnesota House Research Department provides nonpartisan legislative, legal, and information services to the Minnesota House of Representatives. This document can be made available in alternative formats.*

[www.house.mn.gov/hrd](http://www.house.mn.gov/hrd) | 651-296-6753 | Third Floor, Centennial Office Building | St. Paul, MN 55155