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S.F. No. 526 – Authorizing a Grant to Black Men Teach Twin Cities to Increase the Number of Black Male Teachers

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Senate File No. 526 appropriates \$750,000 in 2022 from the general fund to the Commissioner of Higher Education for a grant to Black Men Teach Twin Cities, the balance of which does not cancel and is available until June 30, 2024. The grant is to establish partnerships with eight school district elementary schools or elementary charter schools with the goal of increasing the number of black male teachers to 20 percent of the employees at each school site.

The grant recipient must provide a detailed report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the higher education and education committees in the house and senate by January 15 each year until 2027 describing how the grant funds were used and the progress and strategies used toward achieving the goal of increasing the number of black male teachers at each school site.