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A bill for an act

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relating to agriculture; appropriating money to support farmers' markets.

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

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Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; FARMERS' MARKETS AND DIRECT MARKETING**

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PRODUCERS.

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\$4,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

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of agriculture to create and implement a program to support farmers' markets, including

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markets within urban American Indian communities and Tribal nations, and direct-marketing

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producers. Of this amount, \$4,000,000 is for a grant to the Minnesota Farmers' Market

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Association for awards to farmers' markets not exceeding \$10,000 per market location for

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costs, including but not limited to training, education, equipment, and infrastructure. Of this

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amount, \$500,000 is for the commissioner of agriculture to create and support a grant

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program for direct-marketing producers. The Minnesota Farmers' Market Association may

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use up to 1.5 percent of the grant awarded under this paragraph for administrative expenses.

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This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.