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| | | Referred to Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development |
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1.1 A bill for an act

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

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

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

1.5 **PRODUCERS.**

1.6 \$4,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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