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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SPECIAL SESSION

H. F. No. **143**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Agriculture and Food Finance and Policy Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for COVID-19 technical assistance.
1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.4 Section 1. **COVID-19 CRISIS; TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE; APPROPRIATION.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Producer technical assistance.** \$200,000 in fiscal year 2020 is
1.6 appropriated from the federal coronavirus relief fund to the commissioner of agriculture to
1.7 assist producers impacted by COVID-19 via grants or contracts with community-based
1.8 organizations or producer groups to provide communications support and technical assistance
1.9 to producers, including but not limited to translating guidance information and increasing
1.10 awareness of state and federal COVID-19 resources.

1.11 Subd. 2. **Eligible expenditures; availability.** (a) Money appropriated in subdivision 1
1.12 may not be spent until the commissioner of management and budget determines that the
1.13 expenditure is an eligible use of the federal coronavirus relief fund.

1.14 (b) The appropriation in subdivision 1 is available until December 30, 2020.

1.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.