

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for agronomic research on native
1.3 plants; providing for a technical advisory committee.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; NATIVE PLANT RESEARCH.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$1,000,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2008 from
1.7 the general fund to the regents of the University of Minnesota to fund a program of basic
1.8 agronomic research on native plants, including plant-breeding, nutrient management, pest
1.9 management, yield, viability, and distiller grains and other biofuel production co-products.

1.10 Subd. 2. **Technical advisory committee.** To ensure that public benefits are
1.11 secured from the research funded in subdivision 1, the University of Minnesota shall
1.12 establish a technical advisory committee consisting of representatives of the Department
1.13 of Agriculture and other appropriate public and private stakeholders to develop research
1.14 guidelines.