

A bill for an act

relating to agriculture; appropriating money to the Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture at the University of Minnesota for alternative livestock research and outreach.

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

Section 1. **ALTERNATIVE LIVESTOCK RESEARCH AND OUTREACH.**

\$150,000 in fiscal year 2008 and \$150,000 in fiscal year 2009 are appropriated from the general fund to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for alternative livestock research and outreach efforts at the Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture. This is an ongoing baseline appropriation. The funds shall be spent on research and the dissemination of findings related to alternative and pasture-based livestock operations including forages appropriate for grass-based livestock production, livestock genetics, and marketing in sustainable agricultural systems.