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H. F. No. 1439

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to the  
1.3 Minnesota Grocers Association Foundation for the Carts to Careers initiative.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; CARTS TO CAREERS.

1.6 \$750,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$750,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the  
1.7 workforce development fund to the commissioner of employment and economic development  
1.8 for grants to the Minnesota Grocers Association Foundation for Carts to Careers, a statewide  
1.9 initiative to promote careers in the food industry, conduct outreach, provide job skills  
1.10 training, and award scholarships for students pursuing careers in the food industry. The  
1.11 amount may also be used for training and development costs, certifications, and other  
1.12 activities aimed at strengthening the workforce pipeline in the food retail sector. This is a  
1.13 onetime appropriation.