

A bill for an act

relating to energy; appropriating money to establish a national solar testing and certification laboratory.

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

Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

\$3,000,000 is appropriated from funds received by the Office of Energy Security under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to the commissioner of commerce for a grant to the Initiative for Renewable Energy and the Environment at the University of Minnesota at Morris to develop a solar rating and certification laboratory to test, rate, and certify the performance of equipment and devices that utilize solar energy for heating and cooling air and water and for generating electricity.

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