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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Job Growth and Energy Affordability Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to state government; appropriating state and federal money for avian  
1.3 influenza emergency response activities; requiring reports.

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

1.5 Section 1. AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS.

1.6 Funds appropriated in sections 2 to 6 are available only to the extent that the activities  
1.7 and costs are incurred to provide emergency response to the avian influenza outbreak and  
1.8 are either not eligible for federal reimbursement or are in excess of federal awards.

1.9 Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION; DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

1.10 \$830,000 in fiscal year 2015 and \$3,283,000 in fiscal year 2016 are appropriated  
1.11 from the general fund to the commissioner of agriculture for the following avian  
1.12 influenza emergency response costs: staff pay including overtime, in-state travel,  
1.13 information technology support, staff support of the state emergency operations center,  
1.14 and reimbursement of local units of government that incur costs directly related to avian  
1.15 influenza emergency response.

1.16 Sec. 3. APPROPRIATION; BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH.

1.17 \$737,000 in fiscal year 2015 and \$1,495,000 in fiscal year 2016 are appropriated  
1.18 from the general fund to the Board of Animal Health for the following avian influenza  
1.19 emergency response costs: staff pay including overtime; costs incurred to ship samples  
1.20 to appropriate laboratories; in-state travel; temporary employees performing permitting,  
1.21 logistics, and document management activities; information technology support;

2.1 additional field staff to satisfy permit demand within control zones; additional laboratory  
2.2 technicians; and additional data entry staff.

2.3 **Sec. 4. APPROPRIATION; DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.**

2.4 \$25,000 in fiscal year 2015 and \$59,000 in fiscal year 2016 are appropriated from  
2.5 the general fund to the commissioner of health for costs incurred to identify and monitor  
2.6 poultry workers exposed to infected birds.

2.7 **Sec. 5. APPROPRIATION; DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.**

2.8 \$100,000 in fiscal year 2015 and \$250,000 in fiscal year 2016 are appropriated  
2.9 from the general fund to the commissioner of natural resources for staff and fleet costs  
2.10 incurred to sample wild waterfowl and other wild birds in order to track movement of  
2.11 the avian influenza virus.

2.12 **Sec. 6. APPROPRIATION; DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.**

2.13 \$151,000 in fiscal year 2015 and \$393,000 in fiscal year 2016 are appropriated from  
2.14 the general fund to the commissioner of public safety for costs incurred to operate the state  
2.15 emergency operations center and to staff the agriculture incident command post in Willmar.

2.16 **Sec. 7. AVIAN INFLUENZA; FEDERAL FUNDS APPROPRIATION AND**  
2.17 **REPORTING.**

2.18 All federal money received in fiscal years 2015 through 2017 by the Board of Animal  
2.19 Health or the commissioner of agriculture, health, natural resources, or public safety to  
2.20 address avian influenza is appropriated in the fiscal year when it is received. Before  
2.21 spending federal funds appropriated in this section, the commissioner of management and  
2.22 budget shall report the anticipated federal funds appropriated under this section and their  
2.23 intended purpose to the Legislative Advisory Commission, consistent with the urgent  
2.24 federal funds request procedure under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.3005, subdivision  
2.25 4. By January 15, 2018, the commissioner of management and budget shall report the  
2.26 actual federal funds received and appropriated under this section and their actual use  
2.27 to the Legislative Advisory Commission.

2.28 **Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.29 This act is effective the day following final enactment.