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03/20/2024	12451	Introduction and first reading Referred to Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development

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A bill for an act

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relating to agriculture; modifying eligibility for sustainable agriculture

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demonstration grants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 17.116,

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subdivision 2.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 17.116, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. **Eligibility.** (a) Grants may ~~only~~ be made to farmers; and organizations such as

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farms, agricultural cooperatives, educational institutions, individuals at educational

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institutions, ~~or~~ nonprofit organizations, Tribal governments, or local units of government

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residing or located in the state for research or demonstrations on farms in the state.

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(b) Grants may only be made for projects that show:

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(1) the ability to maximize direct or indirect energy savings or production;

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(2) a positive effect or reduced adverse effect on the environment; or

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(3) increased profitability for the individual farm by reducing costs or improving

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marketing opportunities.