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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Finance

03/02/2017 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to natural resources; appropriating money for forest pest response.

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

Section 1. FOREST PEST RESPONSE; APPROPRIATION.

\$...... in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of
agriculture to identify, prevent, and, in consultation with the Forest Resources Council,
protect Minnesota forests by rapidly and effectively responding to the threat or presence of
plant pests, including emerald ash borer. The commissioner of agriculture may transfer all
or part of this appropriation to the commissioner of natural resources and shall award grants
to local units of government or other entities.

Section 1.