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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Legacy Finance

- 1.1
- A bill for an act
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- relating to arts and cultural heritage; appropriating money for county fairs.
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- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
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- Section 1. APPROPRIATION; COUNTY FAIR GRANTS.
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- \$400,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$400,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from the
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- arts and cultural heritage fund to the commissioner of agriculture for grants to county
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- agricultural societies to enhance arts access and education and to preserve and promote
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- Minnesota's history and cultural heritage as embodied in its county fairs. The grants must
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- be distributed in equal amounts to each of the 95 county fairs. The grants are in addition to
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- the aid distribution to county agricultural societies under Minnesota Statutes, section 38.02.
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- The commissioner of agriculture must develop grant-making criteria and guidance for
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- extending funds under this section to provide funding for projects and events that provide
- 1.13
- access to the arts or the state's agricultural, historical, and cultural heritage. The commissioner
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- must seek input from all interested parties.