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

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A bill for an act

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relating to clean water; appropriating money for soil and water conservation

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districts.

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

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Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

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\$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated

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from the clean water fund to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for payments to soil

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and water conservation districts for the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, sections 103C.321

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and 103C.331. From this appropriation, each soil and water conservation district must

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receive a supplement to its base funding of \$100,000 per year. Money remaining after the

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base funding supplement is available for grants to soil and water conservation districts as

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determined by the board based on county allocations to soil and water conservation districts

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and amounts of private land and public waters. The board and other agencies may reduce

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the amount of grants to a county by an amount equal to any reduction in the county's

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allocation to a soil and water conservation district from the county's previous year allocation

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when the board determines that the reduction was disproportionate. The board may use up

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to two percent of the appropriation for administering payments.