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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 Agriculture Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for precision agriculture research and
1.3 outreach; requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. **PRECISION AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND OUTREACH;**
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board of Regents
1.8 of the University of Minnesota, in consultation with the commissioner of agriculture and
1.9 the Board of Water and Soil Resources, to provide additional research and outreach through
1.10 the University of Minnesota's Precision Agriculture Center and to:

1.11 (1) develop policy recommendations regarding data privacy, public-private partnerships,
1.12 and needed technical assistance focused on the most challenging agricultural and water
1.13 issues;

1.14 (2) conduct research, develop operational recommendations, and conduct pilot studies
1.15 that include variable rate nutrients, variable rate irrigation, nitrogen mineralization, remote
1.16 sensing, delineation of management zones, and extension programming; and

1.17 (3) submit a report with the recommendations to the chairs and ranking minority members
1.18 of the house of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction over
1.19 the environment and natural resources policy by January 15, 2025.

1.20 (b) This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.