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H. F. No. 2818

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money to plan and develop an indoor
1.3 urban farm.

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

1.5 Section 1. EAST PHILLIPS INDOOR URBAN FARM; APPROPRIATION.

1.6 \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.7 commissioner of agriculture for a grant to East Phillips Indoor Urban Farm to convert an
1.8 existing facility into an indoor urban farm with space and support for local urban farmers
1.9 of varying size and small retailers. Grant-eligible activities include, but are not limited
1.10 to, planning and start-up costs, staff and consultant costs, building improvements, rent,
1.11 supplies, utilities, vehicles, marketing, establishing and operating an aquaponic system,
1.12 creating and administering an urban organic farming education and training program
1.13 for youth and adults, developing culturally specific retail tenant space, and providing
1.14 recycling and compost opportunities. This is a onetime appropriation.