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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **3618**

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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 a heritage oilseed and grain
1.3 initiative at the University of Minnesota.

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

1.5 Section 1. **HERITAGE OILSEEDS AND GRAINS; APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.7 of agriculture for a grant to the University of Minnesota to evaluate, propagate, and maintain
1.8 the genetic diversity of oilseeds, grains, grasses, legumes, and other plants including flax,
1.9 timothy, barley, rye, triticale, alfalfa, orchard grass, clover, and other species and varieties
1.10 that were in commercial distribution and use in Minnesota prior to 1970, excluding wild
1.11 rice. This appropriation includes funding for associated extension and outreach to small and
1.12 BIPOC farmers. This is a onetime appropriation.