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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3949

02/19/2024 Authored by Hollins, Acomb, Hassan, Gomez and Lee, F., The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Climate and Energy Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to energy; appropriating money to construct a geothermal energy system.

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

1.4 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; GEOTHERMAL ENERGY SYSTEM.**

1.5 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, paragraph (j),  
1.6 \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from  
1.7 the renewable development account established in Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779,  
1.8 subdivision 1, to the commissioner of commerce for a grant to the Sabathani Community  
1.9 Center in Minneapolis to construct a geothermal energy system that provides space heating  
1.10 and cooling to the center.

1.11 (b) For the purposes of this section, "geothermal energy system" means a system  
1.12 composed of: a heat pump that moves a heat-transferring fluid through piping embedded  
1.13 in the earth and absorbs the earth's constant temperature; a heat exchanger; and ductwork  
1.14 to distribute heated and cooled air to a building.

1.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.