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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES H. F. No. 695

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

Authored by Frederick; Pursell; Brand; Olson, B., and Harder The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy 01/23/2023

1.1	A bill for an act
1.2 1.3	relating to agriculture; requiring reports; appropriating money for agriculture-related business assistance.
1.4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.5	Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS; BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS.
1.6	(a) \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
1.7	the general fund to the commissioner of agriculture for grants to GreenSeam for assistance
1.8	to agriculture-related businesses to support business retention and development, business
1.9	attraction and creation, talent development and attraction, and regional branding and
1.10	promotion. These are onetime appropriations.
1.11	(b) No later than December 1, 2024, and December 1, 2025, GreenSeam must report to
1.12	the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
1.13	over agriculture and rural development with information on new and existing businesses
1.14	supported, net new jobs in the region, new educational partnerships and programs supported,
1.15	and regional branding and promotional efforts.