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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **147**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Agriculture and Food Finance and Policy Division

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money to purchase product from certain
- 1.3 producers negatively impacted by COVID-19.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **COVID-19 CRISIS; PRODUCT PURCHASES; APPROPRIATION.**
- 1.6 Subdivision 1. **Food purchases.** \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from
- 1.7 the federal coronavirus relief fund to the commissioner of agriculture to contract with food
- 1.8 hubs, meal organizations, and distributors and to purchase product directly from Minnesota
- 1.9 producers who sell in local and regional markets and were negatively impacted by
- 1.10 COVID-19.
- 1.11 Subd. 2. **Eligible expenditures; availability.** (a) Money appropriated in subdivision 1
- 1.12 may not be spent until the commissioner of management and budget determines that the
- 1.13 expenditure is an eligible use of the federal coronavirus relief fund.
- 1.14 (b) The appropriation in subdivision 1 is available until December 30, 2020.
- 1.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.