

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1235

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

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Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; farmer-lender mediation; extending the Farmer-Lender
1.3 Mediation Act for two years; establishing an advisory task force; requiring a
1.4 report; repealing a law that would have extended the Farmer-Lender Mediation
1.5 Act until June 30, 2017, if the legislature did not meet in regular session during
1.6 calendar year 2016; amending Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section
1.7 583.215; repealing Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section
1.8 81.

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

1.10 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 583.215, is amended to read:

1.11 **583.215 EXPIRATION.**

1.12 Sections 336.9-601, subsections (h) and (i); 550.365; 559.209; 582.039; and 583.20
1.13 to 583.32, expire June 30, ~~2016~~ 2018.

1.14 **Sec. 2. FARMER-LENDER MEDIATION TASK FORCE.**

1.15 The commissioner of agriculture must convene an advisory task force to provide
1.16 recommendations to the legislature regarding the state's Farmer-Lender Mediation Act.

1.17 The task force must be comprised of 12 members including one adult farm business
1.18 management instructor appointed by the commissioner and three farmers appointed by
1.19 the commissioner, at least one of whom is a beginning or nontraditional farmer and at
1.20 least one of whom has personal experience with the farmer-lender mediation program.

1.21 The remaining membership of the task force consists of one member appointed by each
1.22 of the following entities:

- 1.23 (1) Minnesota Farm Bureau;
- 1.24 (2) Minnesota Farmers Union;
- 1.25 (3) Minnesota Bankers Association;

- 2.1 (4) Independent Community Bankers of Minnesota;
2.2 (5) Farm Credit Services - Minnesota State Federation;
2.3 (6) Minnesota Credit Union Network;
2.4 (7) Minnesota-South Dakota Equipment Dealers Association; and
2.5 (8) University of Minnesota Extension.

2.6 No later than February 1, 2017, the commissioner must report the task force's
2.7 recommendations to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over agriculture policy
2.8 and finance.

2.9 Sec. 3. **REPEALER.**

2.10 Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 81, is repealed.

2.11 Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.12 This act is effective the day following final enactment.

APPENDIX
Repealed Minnesota Session Laws: H1235-1

Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 81

Sec. 81. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 583.215, is amended to read:

583.215 EXPIRATION.

Sections 336.9-601, subsections (h) and (i); 550.365; 559.209; 582.039; and 583.20 to 583.32, expire June 30, 2017.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective May 23, 2016, if the legislature does not meet in regular session in calendar year 2016 before May 23, 2016. If the legislature meets in regular session in calendar year 2016 before May 23, 2016, this section is void.