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

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to agriculture; appropriating money for a grant to the Greater Minneapolis

1.3Council of Churches for Minnesota Venture Farms.

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

1.5Section 1. APPROPRIATION; MINNESOTA VENTURE FARMS.

1.6\$250,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

1.7of agriculture for a grant to the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches for the Minnesota

1.8Venture Farms initiative to create an equitable, independent, and scalable food-access

1.9ecosystem that invests in local farms, provides new agribusinesses opportunities, creates

1.10new distribution channels, diversifies farming practices while increasing production, and

1.11nurtures the talent of emerging farmers from Black, Indigenous, and people of color

1.12communities. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2024.