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| 03/31/2022 | 5945 | Introduction and first reading Referred to Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy |

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to agriculture; establishing a micro farm premium assistance program;

1.3appropriating money for grants and technical assistance.

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

1.5Section 1. MICRO FARM PREMIUM ASSISTANCE; APPROPRIATION.

1.6\$300,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

1.7of agriculture for grants to farmers participating in the United States Department of

1.8Agriculture's micro farm risk management program. Grants are limited to \$3,000 or two

1.9years of a farmer's documented premium expenses, whichever is less. This is a onetime

1.10appropriation and is available until July 1, 2024.

1.11Sec. 2. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE; APPROPRIATION.

1.12\$200,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

1.13of agriculture for grants of \$100,000 each to the Hmong American Farmers Association

1.14and the Latino Economic Development Center to provide technical assistance to farmers

1.15regarding the United States Department of Agriculture's micro farm risk management

1.16program and the micro farm premium assistance program. This is a onetime appropriation.