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| 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5 1.6 1.7 1.8 1.9 1.10 | A bill for an act relating to agriculture; making various policy and technical changes to agricultural-related provisions; modifying certain agricultural-related appropriations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 17.53, subdivision 16; 18B.345; 28A.085, subdivision 1; 31.122; 31.94; Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, sections 41A.14; 583.215; Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B; repealing Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 81. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: |
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| 1.11 | Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 17.53, subdivision 16, is amended to read: |
| 1.12 | Subd. 16. Qualified voter. "Qualified voter" means a producer who would be |
| 1.13 | subject to the payment of fees to finance the activities described in sections 17.51 to 17.69 |
| 1.14 | and who shares directly in the profits and risk of loss from the agricultural operation |
| 1.15 | which produces or grows the commodity, regardless of the Internal Revenue Service |
| 1.16 | tax filing status of the producer. |
| 1.17 | Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 18B.345, is amended to read: |
| 1.18 | 18B.345 PESTICIDE APPLICATION ON GOLF COURSES. |
| 1.19 | (a) Application of a pesticide to the property of a golf course must be performed by: |
| 1.20 | (1) a structural pest control applicator; or |
| 1.21 | (2) a commercial or noncommercial pesticide applicator with appropriate use |
| 1.22 | certification. |
| 1.23 | (b) Pesticides determined by the commissioner to be sanitizers and disinfectants are |
| 1.24 | exempt from the requirements in paragraph (a). |

- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 28A.085, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
 Subdivision 1. Violations; prohibited acts. The commissioner may charge a
 reinspection fee for each reinspection of a food handler that:
 (1) is found with a major violation of requirements in chapter 28, 29, 30, 31, 31A,
 32, 33, or 34, or rules adopted under one of those chapters;
- (2) is found with a violation of section 31.02, 31.161, or 31.165, and requires a 2.6 follow-up inspection after an administrative meeting held pursuant to section 34A.06; or 2.7 (3) fails to correct equipment and facility deficiencies as required in rules adopted 28 under chapter 28, 29, 30, 31, 31A, 32, or 34. The first reinspection of a firm with gross 2.9 food sales under \$1,000,000 must be assessed at \$150. The fee for a firm with gross 2.10 food sales over \$1,000,000 is \$200. The fee for a subsequent reinspection of a firm for 2.11 the same violation is 50 percent of their current license fee or \$300, whichever is greater. 2.12 The establishment must be issued written notice of violations with a reasonable date 2.13 for compliance listed on the notice. An initial inspection relating to a complaint is not 2.14 2.15 a reinspection.

2.16 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 31.122, is amended to read:

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31.122 FOOD; TOLERANCES FOR ADDED POISONOUS INGREDIENTS.

Any added poisonous or deleterious substance, any food additive, any pesticide 2.18 chemical in or on a raw agricultural commodity or any color additive, shall with respect 2.19 to any particular use or intended use be deemed unsafe for the purpose of application of 2.20 section 31.121, clause (b) 34A.02, clause (2), with respect to any food, unless there is in 2.21 effect a rule pursuant to section 31.101 limiting the quantity of such substance, and the use 2.22 or intended use of such substance conforms to the terms prescribed by such rule. While 2.23 such rules relating to such substance are in effect, a food shall not, by reason of bearing or 2.24 containing such substance in accordance with the rules, be considered adulterated within 2.25 the meaning of section 31.121, clause (a) 34A.02, clause (1). 2.26

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2.27 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 31.94, is amended to read:
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31.94 ORGANIC AGRICULTURE; COMMISSIONER DUTIES.

2.29 (a) In order to promote opportunities for organic agriculture in Minnesota, the2.30 commissioner shall:

2.31 (1) survey producers and support services and organizations to determine2.32 information and research needs in the area of organic agriculture practices;

- 3.1 (2) work with the University of Minnesota and other research and education
 3.2 <u>institutions</u> to demonstrate the on-farm applicability of organic agriculture practices to
 3.3 conditions in this state;
- 3.4 (3) direct the programs of the department so as to work toward the promotion of
 3.5 organic agriculture in this state;
- 3.6 (4) inform agencies of how about state or federal programs eould utilize and that
 3.7 support organic agriculture practices; and
- 3.8 (5) work closely with producers, producer organizations, the University of
 3.9 Minnesota, the Minnesota Trade Office, and other appropriate <u>agencies and</u> organizations
 3.10 to identify opportunities and needs as well as ensure coordination and avoid duplication of
 3.11 state agency efforts regarding research, teaching, marketing, and extension work relating
 3.12 to organic agriculture.
- 3.13 (b) By November 15 of each year that ends in a zero or a five, the commissioner, 3.14 in conjunction with the task force created in paragraph (c), shall report on the status of 3.15 organic agriculture in Minnesota to the legislative policy and finance committees and 3.16 divisions with jurisdiction over agriculture. The report must include available data on 3.17 organic acreage and production, available data on the sales or market performance of 3.18 organic products, and recommendations regarding programs, policies, and research efforts 3.19 that will benefit Minnesota's organic agriculture sector.
- 3.20 (c) A Minnesota Organic Advisory Task Force shall advise the commissioner and the
 3.21 University of Minnesota on policies and programs that will improve organic agriculture in
 3.22 Minnesota, including how available resources can most effectively be used for outreach,
 3.23 education, research, and technical assistance that meet the needs of the organic agriculture
 3.24 eommunity sector. The task force must consist of the following residents of the state:
- 3.25 (1) three organic farmers;
- 3.26 (2) one wholesaler or distributor of organic products;
- 3.27 (3) one representative of organic certification agencies;
- 3.28 (4) two organic processors;
- 3.29 (5) one representative from University of Minnesota Extension;
- 3.30 (6) one University of Minnesota faculty member;
- 3.31 (7) one representative from a nonprofit organization representing producers;
- 3.32 (8) two public members;
- 3.33 (9) one representative from the United States Department of Agriculture;
- 3.34 (10) one retailer of organic products; and
- 3.35 (11) one organic consumer representative.

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4.1 The commissioner, in consultation with the director of the Minnesota Agricultural
4.2 Experiment Station; the dean and director of University of Minnesota Extension and the
4.3 dean of the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, shall appoint
4.4 members to serve three-year terms.

- 4.5 Compensation and removal of members are governed by section 15.059, subdivision
 4.6 6. The task force must meet at least twice each year and expires on June 30, 2016 2019.
- 4.7 (d) For the purposes of expanding, improving, and developing production and
 4.8 marketing of the organic products of Minnesota agriculture, the commissioner may
 4.9 receive funds from state and federal sources and spend them, including through grants or
 4.10 contracts, to assist producers and processors to achieve certification, to conduct education
 4.11 or marketing activities, to enter into research and development partnerships, or to address
 4.12 production or marketing obstacles to the growth and well-being of the industry.

4.13 (e) The commissioner may facilitate the registration of state organic production
4.14 and handling operations including those exempt from organic certification according to
4.15 Code of Federal Regulations, title 7, section 205.101, and <u>accredited certification agents</u>
4.16 <u>agencies</u> operating within the state.

4.17 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 41A.14, is amended to read:

41A.14 AGRICULTURE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, EXTENSION, AND

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4.19 **TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER GRANT PROGRAM.**

Subdivision 1. Duties; grants. The agriculture research, education, extension, and 4.20 technology transfer grant program is created. The purpose of the grant program is to 4.21 provide investments that will most efficiently achieve long-term agricultural productivity 4.22 increases through improved infrastructure, vision, and accountability. The scope and 4.23 intent of the grants, to the extent possible, shall provide for a long-term base funding 4.24 that allows the research grantee to continue the functions of the research, education, and 4.25 extension, and technology transfer efforts to a practical conclusion. Priority for grants 4.26 shall be given to human infrastructure. The commissioner shall provide grants for: 4.27

- 4.28 (1) agricultural research, extension, and technology transfer needs and recipients
 4.29 including agricultural research and extension at the University of Minnesota, research and
 4.30 outreach centers, the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, the
 4.31 Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Minnesota Extension Service,
 4.32 the University of Minnesota Veterinary School, the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory,
 4.33 the Stakman-Borlaug Center, and the Minnesota Agriculture Fertilizer Research and
 4.34 Education Council; for use by any of the following:
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- 4.35 (i) the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences;

| 5.1 | (ii) the Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station; |
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| 5.2 | (iii) the University of Minnesota Extension Service; |
| 5.3 | (iv) the University of Minnesota Veterinary School; |
| 5.4 | (v) the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory; or |
| 5.5 | (vi) the Stakman-Borlaug Center; |
| 5.6 | (2) agriculture rapid response for plant and animal diseases and pests; and |
| 5.7 | (3) agricultural education including but not limited to the Minnesota Agriculture |
| 5.8 | Education Leadership Council, farm business management, mentoring programs, graduate |
| 5.9 | debt forgiveness, and high school programs. |
| 5.10 | Subd. 2. Advisory panel. (a) In awarding grants under this section, the |
| 5.11 | commissioner and a representative of the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural |
| 5.12 | Resource Sciences at the University of Minnesota must consult with an advisory panel |
| 5.13 | consisting of the following stakeholders: |
| 5.14 | (1) a representative of the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource |
| 5.15 | Sciences at the University of Minnesota; |
| 5.16 | (2) (1) a representative of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system; |
| 5.17 | (3) (2) a representative of the Minnesota Farm Bureau; |
| 5.18 | (4) (3) a representative of the Minnesota Farmers Union; |
| 5.19 | (5) (4) a person representing agriculture industry statewide; |
| 5.20 | (6) (5) a representative of each of the state commodity councils organized under |
| 5.21 | section 17.54 and the Minnesota Pork Board; |
| 5.22 | (7) (6) a person representing an association of primary manufacturers of forest |
| 5.23 | products; |
| 5.24 | (8) (7) a person representing organic or sustainable agriculture; and |
| 5.25 | (9) (8) a person representing statewide environment and natural resource |
| 5.26 | conservation organizations. |
| 5.27 | (b) Members under paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3) and (5), shall be chosen by their |
| 5.28 | respective organizations. |
| 5.29 | Subd. 3. Account. An agriculture research, education, extension, and technology |
| 5.30 | transfer account is created in the agricultural fund in the state treasury. The account |
| 5.31 | consists of money received in the form of gifts, grants, reimbursement, or appropriations |
| 5.32 | from any source for any of the purposes provided in subdivision 1, and any interest or |
| 5.33 | earnings of the account. Money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of |
| 5.34 | agriculture for the purposes under subdivision 1. |
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5.35 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

| 6.1 | Sec. 7. [216B.1642] SOLAR SITE MANAGEMENT. |
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| 6.2 | Subdivision 1. Site management practices. An owner of a ground-mounted solar |
| 6.3 | site with a generating capacity of more than 40 kilowatts may follow site management |
| 6.4 | practices that (1) provide native perennial vegetation and foraging habitat beneficial to |
| 6.5 | gamebirds, songbirds, and pollinators, and (2) reduce storm water runoff and erosion at |
| 6.6 | the solar generation site. To the extent practicable, when establishing perennial vegetation |
| 6.7 | and beneficial foraging habitat, a solar site owner shall use native plant species and seed |
| 6.8 | mixes under Department of Natural Resources "Prairie Establishment & Maintenance |
| 6.9 | Technical Guidance for Solar Projects." |
| 6.10 | Subd. 2. Recognition of beneficial habitat. An owner of a solar site implementing |
| 6.11 | solar site management practices under this section may claim that the site provides |
| 6.12 | benefits to gamebirds, songbirds, and pollinators only if the site adheres to guidance set |
| 6.13 | forth by the pollinator plan provided by the Board of Water and Soil Resources or any |
| 6.14 | other gamebird, songbird, or pollinator foraging-friendly vegetation standard established |
| 6.15 | by the Board of Water and Soil Resources. An owner making a beneficial habitat claim |
| 6.16 | must make the site's vegetation management plan available to the public and provide a |
| 6.17 | copy of the plan to a Minnesota nonprofit solar industry trade association. |
| 6.18 | Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 583.215, is amended to read: |
| 6.19 | 583.215 EXPIRATION. |
| 6.20 | Sections 336.9-601, subsections (h) and (i); 550.365; 559.209; 582.039; and 583.20 |
| 6.21 | to 583.32, expire June 30, $\frac{2016}{2018}$. |
| 6.22 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment. |
| 6.23 | Sec. 9. Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, |
| 6.24 | is amended to read: |
| 6.25 6.26 | Subd. 4. Agriculture, Bioenergy, and Bioproduct Advancement14,993,00019,010,000 |
| 6.27 | \$4,483,000 the first year and \$8,500,000 the |
| 6.28 | second year are for transfer to the agriculture |
| 6.29 | research, education, extension, and |
| 6.30 | technology transfer account under Minnesota |
| 6.31 | Statutes, section 41A.14, subdivision 3. The |
| 6.32 | transfer in this paragraph includes money |
| 6.33 | for plant breeders at the University of |
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| 7.1 | Minnesota for <u>cultivated</u> wild rice, potatoes, |
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| 7.2 | and grapes. Of the amount appropriated in |
| 7.3 | this paragraph, at least \$450,000 the second |
| 7.4 | year is for transfer to the Board of Regents |
| 7.5 | of the University of Minnesota for the |
| 7.6 | cultivated wild rice breeding project at the |
| 7.7 | North Central Research and Outreach Center |
| 7.8 | to include a tenure track/research associate |
| 7.9 | plant breeder. Of the amount appropriated |
| 7.10 | in this paragraph, at least \$350,000 the |
| 7.11 | second year is for transfer to the Board of |
| 7.12 | Regents of the University of Minnesota |
| 7.13 | for potato breeding. Of these amounts, at |
| 7.14 | least \$600,000 each year is for agriculture |
| 7.15 | rapid response the Minnesota Agricultural |
| 7.16 | Experiment Station's agriculture rapid |
| 7.17 | response fund under Minnesota Statutes, |
| 7.18 | section 41A.14, subdivision 1, clause (2). Of |
| 7.19 | the amount appropriated in this paragraph, |
| 7.20 | \$1,000,000 each year is for transfer to |
| 7.21 | the Board of Regents of the University of |
| 7.22 | Minnesota for research to determine (1) what |
| 7.23 | is causing avian influenza, (2) why some |
| 7.24 | fowl are more susceptible, and (3) prevention |
| 7.25 | measures that can be taken. Of the amount |
| 7.26 | appropriated in this paragraph, \$2,000,000 |
| 7.27 | each year is for grants to the Minnesota |
| 7.28 | Agriculture Education Leadership Council |
| 7.29 | to enhance agricultural education with |
| 7.30 | priority given to Farm Business Management |
| 7.31 | challenge grants. The commissioner shall |
| 7.32 | transfer the remaining grant funds in this |
| 7.33 | appropriation each year to the Board of |
| 7.34 | Regents of the University of Minnesota for |
| 7.35 | purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section |
| 7.36 | 41A.14, subdivision 1, clause (1), and subject |
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| 8.1 | to Minnesota Statutes, section 41A.14, |
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| 8.2 | subdivision 2. |
| 8.3 | To the extent practicable, funds expended |
| 8.4 | under Minnesota Statutes, section 41A.14, |
| 8.5 | subdivision 1, clauses (1) and (2), must |
| 8.6 | supplement and not supplant existing sources |
| 8.7 | and levels of funding. The commissioner may |
| 8.8 | use up to 4.5 percent of this appropriation |
| 8.9 | for costs incurred to administer the program. |
| 8.10 | Any unencumbered balance does not cancel |
| 8.11 | at the end of the first year and is available for |
| 8.12 | the second year. Notwithstanding Minnesota |
| 8.13 | Statutes, section 16A.28, the appropriations |
| 8.14 | encumbered under contract on or before June |
| 8.15 | 30, 2017, for agricultural growth, research, |
| 8.16 | and innovation grants are available until June |
| 8.17 | <u>30, 2019.</u> |
| 8.18 | \$10,235,000 the first year and \$10,235,000 |
| 8.19 | the second year are for the agricultural |
| 8.20 | growth, research, and innovation program |
| 8.21 | in Minnesota Statutes, section 41A.12. No |
| 8.22 | later than February 1, 2016, and February |
| 8.23 | 1, 2017, the commissioner must report to |
| 8.24 | the legislative committees with jurisdiction |
| 8.25 | over agriculture policy and finance regarding |
| 8.26 | the commissioner's accomplishments |
| 8.27 | and anticipated accomplishments in |
| 8.28 | the following areas: facilitating the |
| 8.29 | start-up, modernization, or expansion of |
| 8.30 | livestock operations including beginning |
| 8.31 | and transitioning livestock operations; |
| 8.32 | developing new markets for Minnesota |
| 8.33 | farmers by providing more fruits, vegetables, |
| 8.34 | meat, grain, and dairy for Minnesota school |
| 8.35 | children; assisting value-added agricultural |
| 8.36 | businesses to begin or expand, access new |

| 9.1 | markets, or diversify products; developing |
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| 9.2 | urban agriculture; facilitating the start-up, |
| 9.3 | modernization, or expansion of other |
| 9.4 | beginning and transitioning farms including |
| 9.5 | loans under Minnesota Statutes, section |
| 9.6 | 41B.056; sustainable agriculture on farm |
| 9.7 | research and demonstration; development or |
| 9.8 | expansion of food hubs and other alternative |
| 9.9 | community-based food distribution systems; |
| 9.10 | and research on bioenergy, biobased content, |
| 9.11 | or biobased formulated products and other |
| 9.12 | renewable energy development. The |
| 9.13 | commissioner may use up to 4.5 percent |
| 9.14 | of this appropriation for costs incurred to |
| 9.15 | administer the program. Any unencumbered |
| 9.16 | balance does not cancel at the end of the first |
| 9.17 | year and is available for the second year. |
| 9.18 | Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section |
| 9.19 | 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered |
| 9.20 | under contract on or before June 30, 2017, for |
| 9.21 | agricultural growth, research, and innovation |
| 9.22 | grants are available until June 30, 2019. |
| 9.23 | The commissioner may use funds |
| 9.24 | appropriated for the agricultural growth, |
| 9.25 | research, and innovation program as provided |
| 9.26 | in this paragraph. The commissioner may |
| 9.27 | award grants to owners of Minnesota |
| 9.28 | facilities producing bioenergy, biobased |
| 9.29 | content, or a biobased formulated product; |
| 9.30 | to organizations that provide for on-station, |
| 9.31 | on-farm field scale research and outreach to |
| 9.32 | develop and test the agronomic and economic |
| 9.33 | requirements of diverse strands of prairie |
| 9.34 | plants and other perennials for bioenergy |
| 9.35 | systems; or to certain nongovernmental |
| 9.36 | entities. For the purposes of this paragraph, |
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"bioenergy" includes transportation fuels 10.1 10.2 derived from cellulosic material, as well as the generation of energy for commercial heat, 10.3 industrial process heat, or electrical power 10.4 from cellulosic materials via gasification or 10.5 other processes. Grants are limited to 50 10.6 percent of the cost of research, technical 10.7 assistance, or equipment related to bioenergy, 10.8 biobased content, or biobased formulated 10.9 product production or \$500,000, whichever 10.10 is less. Grants to nongovernmental entities 10.11 10.12 for the development of business plans and structures related to community ownership 10.13 of eligible bioenergy facilities together may 10.14 10.15 not exceed \$150,000. The commissioner shall make a good-faith effort to select 10.16 projects that have merit and, when taken 10.17 10.18 together, represent a variety of bioenergy technologies, biomass feedstocks, and 10.19 geographic regions of the state. Projects 10.20 must have a qualified engineer provide 10.21 certification on the technology and fuel 10.22 10.23 source. Grantees must provide reports at the request of the commissioner. 10.24 Of the amount appropriated for the 10.25 10.26 agricultural growth, research, and innovation program in this subdivision, \$1,000,000 the 10.27 first year and \$1,000,000 the second year 10.28 are for distribution in equal amounts to each 10.29 of the state's county fairs to preserve and 10.30 promote Minnesota agriculture. 10.31 Of the amount appropriated for the 10.32 agricultural growth, research, and innovation 10.33 program in this subdivision, \$500,000 in 10.34 fiscal year 2016 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal 10.35 10.36 year 2017 are for incentive payments

| 11.1 | under Minnesota Statutes, sections 41A.16, |
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| 11.2 | 41A.17, and 41A.18. If the appropriation |
| 11.3 | exceeds the total amount for which all |
| 11.4 | producers are eligible in a fiscal year, the |
| 11.5 | balance of the appropriation is available |
| 11.6 | to the commissioner for the agricultural |
| 11.7 | growth, research, and innovation program. |
| 11.8 | Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, |
| 11.9 | section 16A.28, the first year appropriation |
| 11.10 | is available until June 30, 2017, and the |
| 11.11 | second year appropriation is available until |
| 11.12 | June 30, 2018. The commissioner may use |
| 11.13 | up to 4.5 percent of the appropriation for |
| 11.14 | administration of the incentive payment |
| 11.15 | programs. |
| 11.16 | Of the amount appropriated for the |
| 11.17 | agricultural growth, research, and innovation |
| 11.17 | program in this subdivision, \$250,000 |
| 11.18 | the first year is for grants to communities |
| 11.19 | to develop or expand food hubs and |
| | other alternative community-based food |
| 11.21 | distribution systems. Of this amount, |
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| 11.23 | \$50,000 is for the commissioner to consult |
| 11.24 | with existing food hubs, alternative |
| 11.25 | community-based food distribution systems, |
| 11.26 | and University of Minnesota Extension |
| 11.27 | to identify best practices for use by other |
| 11.28 | Minnesota communities. No later than |
| 11.29 | December 15, 2015, the commissioner must |
| 11.30 | report to the legislative committees with |
| 11.31 | jurisdiction over agriculture and health |
| 11.32 | regarding the status of emerging alternative |
| 11.33 | community-based food distribution systems |
| 11.34 | in the state along with recommendations |
| 11.35 | to eliminate any barriers to success. Any |
| 11.36 | unencumbered balance does not cancel at the |

| 12.1 | end of the first year and is available for the |
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| 12.2 | second year. This is a onetime appropriation. |
| 12.3 | \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the |
| 12.4 | second year are for grants that enable |
| 12.5 | retail petroleum dispensers to dispense |
| 12.6 | biofuels to the public in accordance with the |
| 12.7 | biofuel replacement goals established under |
| 12.8 | Minnesota Statutes, section 239.7911. A |
| 12.9 | retail petroleum dispenser selling petroleum |
| 12.10 | for use in spark ignition engines for vehicle |
| 12.11 | model years after 2000 is eligible for grant |
| 12.12 | money under this paragraph if the retail |
| 12.13 | petroleum dispenser has no more than 15 |
| 12.14 | retail petroleum dispensing sites and each |
| 12.15 | site is located in Minnesota. The grant |
| 12.16 | money received under this paragraph must |
| 12.17 | be used for the installation of appropriate |
| 12.18 | technology that uses fuel dispensing |
| 12.19 | equipment appropriate for at least one fuel |
| 12.20 | dispensing site to dispense gasoline that is |
| 12.21 | blended with 15 percent of agriculturally |
| 12.22 | derived, denatured ethanol, by volume, and |
| 12.23 | appropriate technical assistance related to |
| 12.24 | the installation. A grant award must not |
| 12.25 | exceed 85 percent of the cost of the technical |
| 12.26 | assistance and appropriate technology, |
| 12.27 | including remetering of and retrofits for |
| 12.28 | retail petroleum dispensers and replacement |
| 12.29 | of petroleum dispenser projects. The |
| 12.30 | commissioner may use up to \$35,000 of this |
| 12.31 | appropriation for administrative expenses. |
| 12.32 | The commissioner shall cooperate with |
| 12.33 | biofuel stakeholders in the implementation |
| 12.34 | of the grant program. The commissioner |
| 12.35 | must report to the legislative committees |
| 12.36 | with jurisdiction over agriculture policy and |

- 13.1finance by February 1 each year, detailing
- 13.2 the number of grants awarded under this
- 13.3 paragraph and the projected effect of the grant
- 13.4 program on meeting the biofuel replacement
- 13.5 goals under Minnesota Statutes, section
- 13.6 239.7911. These are onetime appropriations.
- 13.7 \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second
- 13.8year are for grants to the Southern Minnesota
- 13.9 Initiative Foundation to promote local foods
- 13.10 through an annual event that raises public
- 13.11 awareness of local foods and connects local
- 13.12 food producers and processors with potential
- 13.13 buyers.

13.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- 13.15 Sec. 10. <u>**REPEALER.**</u>
- 13.16 Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 81, is repealed.
- 13.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

APPENDIX Repealed Minnesota Session Laws: S3018-2

Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 81 by Laws 2016, chapter 184, section 14; as amended by Laws 2016, chapter 189, article 2, section 31 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.