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H. F. No. 1531

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Legacy Funding Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to natural resources; appropriating money for grants recommended by
1.3 the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; GREATER MINNESOTA REGIONAL PARKS**
1.6 **AND TRAILS COMMISSION.**

1.7 \$8,530,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$8,920,000 in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated
1.8 from the parks and trails fund to the commissioner of natural resources to make grants for
1.9 parks and trails of regional significance outside the seven-county metropolitan area under
1.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535. The grants must be based on the recommendations
1.11 to the commissioner from the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission
1.12 established under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536. Up to 2.5 percent of the
1.13 appropriation may be used by the commissioner for the actual cost of issuing and
1.14 monitoring the grants for the commission. Of the amount appropriated, \$356,000 in fiscal
1.15 year 2016 and \$362,000 in fiscal year 2017 are for the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks
1.16 and Trails Commission to carry out its duties under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536,
1.17 including the continued development of a statewide system plan for regional parks and
1.18 trails outside the seven-county metropolitan area.