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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 686

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- The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Policy
- 02/16/2017 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy
- 02/22/2017 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
- Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to agriculture; modifying and extending the dairy research, teaching, and

1.3 consumer education authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 32C.02,

1.4 subdivision 2; 32C.06.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 32C.02, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. **Facility design; development and operation.** The authority may enter into

1.8 management contracts, lease agreements, or both, with a Minnesota nonprofit corporation

1.9 to design, develop, and operate a facility to further the purposes of this chapter at the site

1.10 determined by the board and on the terms that the board finds desirable. The board must

1.11 identify ~~and acquire~~ a site that will accommodate, where practical, the following facilities

1.12 and activities:

- 1.13 (1) housing for bred and lactating animals;
- 1.14 (2) milking parlor;
- 1.15 (3) automatic milking systems;
- 1.16 (4) cross-ventilated and natural-ventilated housing;
- 1.17 (5) transition cow housing;
- 1.18 (6) special needs and hospital housing;
- 1.19 (7) classrooms and a conference room;
- 1.20 (8) dairy processing facility with retail;
- 1.21 (9) visitors' center;

2.1 (10) student housing;

2.2 (11) laboratory facilities;

2.3 (12) space to accommodate installation of an anaerobic digester system to research
2.4 energy production from feedstock produced on site or from off-site sources; and

2.5 (13) space for feed storage to allow for research capabilities at the facility.

2.6 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 32C.01, subdivision 7, relating to conflict of
2.7 interest, a director or officer of the authority who is also a director, officer, or member of
2.8 a nonprofit corporation with which the authority enters into management contracts or lease
2.9 agreements may participate in and vote on the decision of the board as to the terms and
2.10 conditions of management contracts or lease agreements between the Minnesota nonprofit
2.11 corporation and the authority.

2.12 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 32C.06, is amended to read:

2.13 **32C.06 EXPIRATION.**

2.14 If by August 1, ~~2017~~ 2020, the authority board has not identified ~~and acquired~~ a site for
2.15 a facility, as provided in section 32C.02, subdivision 2, sections 32C.01 to 32C.05 and this
2.16 section are repealed on that date. The Department of Agriculture shall notify the revisor of
2.17 statutes if the repealer under this section becomes effective.