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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 888

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for mentoring and farm business
1.3 management program challenge grants.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; MENTORING AND FARM BUSINESS
1.6 MANAGEMENT GRANTS.

1.7 (a) \$2,400,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$2,400,000 in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated
1.8 from the general fund to the commissioner of agriculture for grants to the Minnesota
1.9 Agricultural Education Leadership Council. The Minnesota Agricultural Education
1.10 Leadership Council must develop criteria and award challenge grants:

1.11 (1) for farmer mentoring programs; and
1.12 (2) to individual colleges and centers of excellence in agriculture for farm business
1.13 management programs.

1.14 (b) The appropriations in the section are added to the base for the Minnesota
1.15 Agricultural Education Leadership Council.