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137.341 FARM SAFETY SPECIALIST POSITION.

The Minnesota legislature finds that because the extension service has unique opportunities for delivering health and safety messages to farm families, the extension service is urged to retain and, to the extent practicable, keep filled at all times, the staff position of farm safety specialist.

History: 1991 c 254 art 3 s 22

137.342 RESEARCH CENTER FOR AGRICULTURAL HEALTH AND SAFETY.

Subdivision 1. Creation. There is created within the division of environmental and occupational health in the University of Minnesota school of public health and under its direction an interagency, interdisciplinary research center for agricultural health and safety. The center shall coordinate funding for, and the findings of, research projects designed to reduce injury and death from farm accidents, reduce long-term exposure to potentially hazardous agricultural agents, and make health care services more available to persons who suffer from health problems related to agriculture.

Subd. 2. Farm safety advisory commission. The commissioner of agriculture may appoint a farm safety advisory commission to support, review, and monitor the programs and activities of the research center for agricultural health and safety. Appointees to the commission must represent a broad range of interests including education, production farming, agricultural wholesale and retail businesses, statewide farm organizations, and manufacturers of agricultural machinery and chemicals. The advisory commission may assist in raising funds and developing resources for the promotion of farm safety. The advisory commission may participate in farm safety advertising campaigns, farm equipment safety training, and farm safety audit programs.

History: 1991 c 254 art 3 s 23