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..... moves to amend H.F. No. 1327 as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

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\$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated from the general fund to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for payments to soil and water conservation districts for the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, sections 103C.321 and 103C.331. From the appropriation, each soil and water conservation district shall receive a base amount of \$40,000. Money remaining after the base amount is available for matching grants to soil and water conservation districts up to a maximum of \$50,000 per county and shall be at a rate of \$1.25 in state matching grants for each \$1 of district allocation. Money remaining after the previous matching grants is available for matching grants to soil and water conservation districts and shall be at a rate of up to 65 cents for each \$1 of county allocation. The board may reduce the amount of the natural resources block grant to a county by an amount equal to any reduction in the county's allocation to a soil and water conservation district from the county's previous-year allocation when the board determines that the reduction was disproportionate."

Amend the title accordingly

Section 1.