

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2147 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. APPROPRIATION.

1.4 (a) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.5 commissioner of agriculture for grants to counties to support county agricultural inspectors.
1.6 The commissioner may use up to 2.5 percent of the appropriation for administration.

1.7 (b) To be eligible for a grant under this section, a county must employ a county
1.8 agricultural inspector who:

1.9 (1) has attended training for new county agricultural inspectors offered by the
1.10 commissioner;

1.11 (2) coordinates with the commissioner to review applicable laws and enforcement
1.12 procedures;

1.13 (3) compiles and submits to the commissioner local weed inspector annual report data;

1.14 (4) conducts an annual meeting and training for local weed inspectors;

1.15 (5) attends the annual short course of the Minnesota Association of County Agricultural
1.16 Inspectors; and

1.17 (6) assists the commissioner with control programs and other agricultural programs
1.18 when requested under Minnesota Statutes, section 18.81, subdivision 1b."