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## Bill Summary

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This bill would appropriate \$500,000 of onetime general fund spending for the industrial hemp pilot program administered by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA). Unlike HF 3184, this bill does not appropriate ongoing, base funding of \$500,000 per fiscal year.

The industrial hemp pilot project law was enacted in 2015 (Laws of Minnesota 2015 First Special Session, chapter 4, article 2, section 46). It authorizes industrial hemp growth and research conducted or supervised by MDA in accordance with the federal 2014 Farm Bill (Public Law 113-79).