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This bill would retroactively eliminate the matching, or cost-share, requirement for schools that receive a tractor rollover protection grant from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Under current law, both farmers and schools are eligible for grants. All grant recipients are responsible for 30 percent of the total cost to purchase, ship, and install a qualifying rollover protective structure (i.e., a roll bar and seatbelt), up to \$500. The state grant reimburses the recipient for the rest. Under this bill, the state grant would reimburse a school for 100 percent of the school's documented cost to purchase, ship, and install the rollover protective structure.