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## - Bill Summary -

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This bill appropriates general fund dollars to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) to reimburse livestock producers for practices intended to prevent conflicts between wolves and livestock. To be eligible, a producer must be located in Minnesota's wolf range or farming a property that MDA determines is affected by wolf-livestock conflicts. Livestock producers who receive reimbursement under this program would retain eligibility for depredation payments from MDA for livestock destroyed or crippled by a wolf.

The bill establishes a partial list of eligible practices, including the purchase of guard animals and calving or lambing shelters.