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## Overview

This bill would appropriate \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 for the Minnesota Agriculture Education Leadership Council (MAELC).

By law, MAELC is governed by a 17-member council, with membership defined under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 41D.

The legislature established MAELC in 1997 to perform several tasks related to agriculture education, including providing recommendations to the governor and legislature, administering a grant program to foster and encourage the development of secondary and postsecondary agriculture education programs, operating the Minnesota Center for Agriculture Education, and coordinating and articulating Minnesota's agriculture education policy across all relevant programs and institutions.