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## Summary

This bill would require the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) to award cost-share grants to farmers who purchase and install eligible grain bin protection and air quality monitoring equipment. As amended, grants for protection equipment (e.g., fall protection systems, auger engineering controls, etc.) would be limited to 75 percent of the farmer's cost or \$500 per bin. The bill would appropriate an unspecified amount of money from the general fund and authorize MDA to spend up to five percent of program dollars each year to promote and administer the new program. MDA would be required to accept contributions from nonstate sources.