

Subject Food
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Overview

This bill would allocate \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2021 to the Good Food Access Account. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 17.1017, subdivision 3, money in the Good Food Access Account is appropriated to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for purposes of the Good Food Access Program.

The legislature established the Good Food Access Program in 2016 to increase the availability of and access to affordable, nutritious, and culturally-appropriate food, including fresh fruits and vegetables, for underserved communities in low-income and moderate-income areas. State law provides that money in the Good Food Access Account must be used to leverage other forms of public and private financing or financial assistance to support Good Food Access Program-funded projects.