

Subject Agriculture

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Summary

This bill would appropriate \$11,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 from the general fund to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for grants to Minnesota organizations to develop enterprises, supply chains, and markets for continuous living cover crops and cropping systems in the early stages of commercial development.

Of the \$11,000,000 fiscal year 2024 appropriation, the bill specifies that \$10,000,000 must be used to support markets for Kernza perennial grain, winter camelina, hybrid hazelnut, and elderberry.