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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to agriculture; establishing a micro farm premium assistance program;  
1.3 appropriating money for grants and technical assistance.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. MICRO FARM PREMIUM ASSISTANCE; APPROPRIATION.

1.6 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
1.7 of agriculture for grants to farmers participating in the United States Department of  
1.8 Agriculture's micro farm risk management program. Grants are limited to \$3,000 or two  
1.9 years of a farmer's documented premium expenses, whichever is less. This is a onetime  
1.10 appropriation and is available until July 1, 2024.

1.11 Sec. 2. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE; APPROPRIATION.

1.12 \$200,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
1.13 of agriculture for grants of \$100,000 each to the Hmong American Farmers Association  
1.14 and the Latino Economic Development Center to provide technical assistance to farmers  
1.15 regarding the United States Department of Agriculture's micro farm risk management  
1.16 program and the micro farm premium assistance program. This is a onetime appropriation.