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Introduction and first reading
By Motion, Laid on Table

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for meat processing grants to address
1.3 the effects of COVID-19.

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

1.5 Section 1. **COVID-19 CRISIS; MEAT PROCESSING; APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. Meat processing grants. \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated
1.7 from the federal coronavirus relief fund to the commissioner of agriculture to expand the
1.8 state's meat processing capacity and alleviate the backlog of livestock in need of processing
1.9 due to the effects of COVID-19 by awarding cost-share grants to companies or individuals
1.10 that open or expand a mobile or stationary meat processing facility.

1.11 Subd. 2. Eligible expenditures; availability. (a) Money appropriated in subdivision 1
1.12 may not be spent until the commissioner of management and budget determines that the
1.13 expenditure is an eligible use of the federal coronavirus relief fund.

1.14 (b) The appropriation in subdivision 1 is available until December 30, 2020.

1.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.