

**SENATE  
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NINETIETH SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Higher Education Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to higher education; appropriating money for Natural Resources Research  
1.3 Institute at University of Minnesota Duluth.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE.**

1.6 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2019 are appropriated from  
1.7 the general fund to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for operations and  
1.8 maintenance of the Natural Resources Research Institute at the University of Minnesota  
1.9 Duluth. The funds shall be used for operations, maintenance, research, and staff support to  
1.10 strengthen applied research activities and accelerate innovation and economic development  
1.11 in key areas such as minerals, mining and water, energy and the environment, and forest  
1.12 products and bioeconomy. This is an ongoing appropriation.