

**SENATE  
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NINETY-SECOND SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for African Growers and Producers  
1.3 Alliance.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; AFRICAN GROWERS AND PRODUCERS**  
1.6 **ALLIANCE.**

1.7 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 are appropriated from  
1.8 the general fund to the commissioner of agriculture to provide grants to the African Growers  
1.9 and Producers Alliance and African American urban agriculture initiatives that will address  
1.10 fresh food access and food deserts in African American communities. This is a onetime  
1.11 appropriation. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, unencumbered balances  
1.12 under this subdivision do not cancel until June 30, 2026.

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