

H.F. 8 – Agriculture and Rural Development Policy (1st Engrossment)

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Article 1 – Agriculture Appropriations

Article 1 makes appropriations to the Department of Agriculture, the Board of Animal Health, and the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute for fiscal years 2022 and 2023. Detail for these appropriations can be found in the spreadsheet prepared by Hannah Grunewald of Senate Counsel, Research, and Fiscal Analysis and Ken Savary of House Fiscal Analysis Department.

Policy Provisions in Article 1:

Section 5 (17.055, subd. 1a) amends the emerging farmer statute to establish an Emerging Farmer Account in the agriculture fund.

Section 6 (32D.30) codifies the dairy development and profitability enhancement program that was previously a rider. The language defines dairy profitability enhancement teams and dairy business planning grants.

Article 2 – Broadband Appropriations

Article 2 makes appropriations to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for the Office of Broadband Development for fiscal years 2022 and 2023. Detail for these appropriations can be found in the spreadsheet prepared by Hannah Grunewald of Senate Counsel, Research, and Fiscal Analysis and Ken Savary of House Fiscal Analysis Department.

[Additional policy provisions adopted in 2021 Regular Session, Chapter 28.](#)