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FIRST COMMITTEE ENGROSSMENT

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

Referred by Chair to Energy Finance and Policy Division.

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Returned to the Committee on Finance as Amended.

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to energy; authorizing a grant to the White Earth Band of Chippewa to
1.3 study the feasibility of a renewable energy facility.

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

1.5 Section 1. **WHITE EARTH BAND OF CHIPPEWA RENEWABLE ENERGY**
1.6 **GRANT.**

1.7 From the appropriation in fiscal year 2008 for the ethanol development program
1.8 under Minnesota Statutes, section 41A.09, the commissioner of agriculture shall make
1.9 a grant of \$300,000 to the White Earth Band of Chippewa for a feasibility study of a
1.10 renewable energy biofuels production, research and production facility on the White
1.11 Earth Reservation in Mahnommen County.

1.12 The grant must be used by the White Earth Band and the University of Minnesota to
1.13 conduct a detailed feasibility study of the economic and technical viability of developing a
1.14 multistream renewable energy biofuels demonstration facility on White Earth Reservation
1.15 land to utilize existing forest resources, woody biomass, and cellulosic material to produce
1.16 biofuels or bioenergy.