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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to the Iron
1.3 Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$4,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the
1.7 Department of Employment and Economic Development for a grant to the Iron Range
1.8 Resources and Rehabilitation Board for the purpose of reimbursing biomass facilities
1.9 located in Minnesota for up to \$32.50 per cord of roundwood product purchased from
1.10 established loggers.

1.11 The following additional conditions must be met by the biomass facility:

1.12 (1) reimbursable cords must be delivered to a site agreed to by the facility and the
1.13 agency for power generation or cogeneration purposes;

1.14 (2) the facility may be reimbursed only for the first 1,000 reimbursable cords
1.15 purchased from each eligible logger; and

1.16 (3) no reimbursement may be made for cords purchased after June 30, 2007, or for a
1.17 price less than \$62.50 per cord.