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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 energy; authorizing a grant to the Bois Forte 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. **BOIS FORTE 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 Bois Forte Band of Chippewa for a feasibility study of a  
1.10 renewable energy biofuels demonstration facility on the Bois Forte Reservation in St.  
1.11 Louis and Koochiching counties.

1.12 The grant shall be used by the Bois Forte Band to conduct a detailed feasibility study  
1.13 of the economic and technical viability of developing a multistream renewable energy  
1.14 biofuels demonstration facility on Bois Forte Reservation land to utilize existing forest  
1.15 resources, woody biomass, and cellulosic waste to produce ethanol and/or butanol for use  
1.16 as a liquid fuel source or a gasoline supplement and oxygenation agent.