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The bill was read for the first time and Interim introduction, referred to Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public
1.3 land and buildings and other improvements of a capital nature; authorizing the
1.4 issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for dairy facilities at the University
1.5 of Minnesota West Central Research and Outreach Station.

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

1.7 Section 1. **UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, WEST CENTRAL RESEARCH**
1.8 **AND OUTREACH STATION.**

1.9 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$200,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds
1.10 fund to regents of the University of Minnesota for the West Central Research and Outreach
1.11 Station in Morris to improve pasture land and to predesign, design, construct, furnish, and
1.12 equip a milking facility for an organic dairy herd.

1.13 The Board of Regents shall report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction
1.14 over higher education and agriculture by June 15, 2008, on the University Agriculture
1.15 Experiment Station and Minnesota Extension Service's work to promote alternative
1.16 livestock research and outreach, and for an ongoing organic research and education
1.17 program, funded in Laws 2007, chapter 144, article 1, section 5, subdivision 4.

1.18 Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in subdivision 1 from the
1.19 bond proceeds fund, the commissioner of finance shall sell and issue bonds of the state in
1.20 an amount up to \$200,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the effect prescribed by
1.21 Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the Minnesota Constitution,
1.22 article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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