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State of Minnesota  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
NINETIETH SESSION

**H. F. No. 2982**

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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to agricultural data; classifying agricultural research data maintained by  
1.3 the University of Minnesota; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 13.643,  
1.4 by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 13.643, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 8. **Agricultural informatics platform data.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,  
1.9 "agricultural informatics platform data" means data supplied to or collected, created, received,  
1.10 or maintained by the University of Minnesota for inclusion on an agricultural informatics  
1.11 platform or any similar agricultural research database maintained by or hosted at the  
1.12 University of Minnesota.

1.13 (b) Agricultural informatics platform data are classified as private data on individuals  
1.14 or nonpublic data, but may be released to:

1.15 (1) researchers employed by the University of Minnesota; or

1.16 (2) other researchers authorized by the University of Minnesota to receive the data,  
1.17 provided that the person who supplied the agricultural informatics platform data has  
1.18 consented to the release of the data.

1.19 (c) Nothing in this subdivision prohibits the disclosure of private data with the informed  
1.20 consent of the data subject pursuant to section 13.05, subdivision 4, or the preparation of  
1.21 summary data as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 19.