

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2036 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **GREATER MINNESOTA COMMUNITY DESIGN PILOT PROJECT.**

1.4 Subdivision 1. **Creation.** The Minnesota Design Center at the University of Minnesota
1.5 shall partner with relevant organizations in selected communities within greater Minnesota
1.6 to establish a pilot project for community design. The pilot project shall identify current
1.7 and future opportunities for rural development, create designs, seek funding from existing
1.8 sources, and assist with the implementation of economically, environmentally, and culturally
1.9 sensitive projects that respond to current community conditions, needs, capabilities, and
1.10 aspirations in support of the selected communities. For the purposes of this section, "greater
1.11 Minnesota" is limited to the following counties: Blue Earth, Brown, Dodge, Faribault,
1.12 Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Le Sueur, Martin, Mower, Olmsted, Rice, Sibley,
1.13 Steele, Wabasha, Waseca, Watonwan, and Winona.

1.14 Subd. 2. **Community selection.** In order to be considered for inclusion in the pilot
1.15 project, communities with fewer than 12,000 residents within the counties listed in
1.16 subdivision 1 must submit a letter of interest to the Minnesota Design Center. The Minnesota
1.17 Design Center may choose up to ten communities for participation in the pilot project.

1.18 Subd. 3. **Pilot project activities.** Among other activities, the Minnesota Design Center,
1.19 in partnership with relevant organizations within the selected communities, shall:

1.20 (1) assess community capacity to engage in design, development, and implementation;

1.21 (2) create community and project designs that respond to a community's culture and
1.22 needs, reinforce its identity as a special place, and support its future aspirations;

1.23 (3) create an implementation strategy; and

2.1 (4) build capacity to implement design work by identifying potential funding strategies
 2.2 and sources and assisting in grant writing to secure funding.

2.3 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.4 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
 2.5 of employment and economic development for a grant to the Minnesota Design Center at
 2.6 the University of Minnesota for the purpose of the greater Minnesota community design
 2.7 pilot project under section 1. This is a onetime appropriation."

2.8 Delete the title and insert:

2.9 "A bill for an act
 2.10 relating to rural development; creating a pilot project for community design that
 2.11 addresses community assets, needs, and goals for growth in culture, arts, humanities,
 2.12 and recreation in portions of greater Minnesota; appropriating money. "