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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to civil actions; amending civil remedies for consumer protection violations;
 1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.70, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 325F.70, is amended by adding a subdivision
 1.6 to read:

1.7 Subd. 1a. **Private enforcement.** (a) In addition to the remedies otherwise provided by
 1.8 law, a consumer injured by a violation of sections 325F.68 to 325F.70 may bring a civil
 1.9 action and recover damages, together with costs and disbursements, including costs of
 1.10 investigation and reasonable attorney fees, and receive other equitable relief as determined
 1.11 by the court. An action brought under this section is a public benefit.

1.12 (b) For the purposes of this subdivision:

1.13 (1) "consumer" means a natural person or family farmer involved in a sale of merchandise
 1.14 for personal, family, household, or agricultural purposes;

1.15 (2) "family farmer" means a person or persons operating a family farm; and

1.16 (3) "family farm" has the meaning given in section 116B.02, subdivision 6.