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Introduced by Representatives Bray of New Haven, Lorber of Burlington,  
Ainsworth of Royalton, Bissonnette of Winooski, Bohi of  
Hartford, Botzow of Pownal, Clarkson of Woodstock, Conquest  
of Newbury, Evans of Essex, Haas of Rochester, Lawrence of  
Lyndon, Lenes of Shelburne, Masland of Thetford, McCullough  
of Williston, Morrissey of Bennington, Orr of Charlotte, Ram of  
Burlington, Smith of Mendon, Stevens of Waterbury, Stevens  
of Shoreham, Sweaney of Windsor, Taylor of Barre City, Toll  
of Danville, Webb of Shelburne, Wilson of Manchester and  
Zuckerman of Burlington

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Agriculture and economic development; Farm-to-Plate

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to fund competitive grants to entities  
under the Farm-to-Plate investment program that are ready to implement their  
business plans or expand their existing operations to provide additional  
capacity and services within the food system.

An act relating to the Farm-to-Plate investment program

1 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

2 Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 330(f) is added to read:

3 (f) In fiscal year 2011, the amount of \$100,000.00 shall be appropriated  
4 from the state fiscal stabilization funds available under the American Recovery  
5 and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub.L. No. 111-5, to the Farm-to-Plate  
6 investment program established under this section to support entities that will  
7 enhance the production, storage, processing, and distribution infrastructure of  
8 the Vermont food system. These funds shall be competitively awarded by the  
9 program director in the form of grants for projects that are ready to implement  
10 their business plans or expand their existing operations to provide additional  
11 capacity and services within the food system.

12 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

13 This act shall take effect upon passage.