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PA 25-141—sHB 5064 Environment Committee

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GRANT PROGRAM FOR AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION AND FARMLAND ACCESS PURPOSES

SUMMARY: This act allows the Department of Agriculture, within available appropriations, to establish and administer a grant program to fund agricultural land preservation by agricultural nonprofits, municipalities, groups of municipalities, municipalities in a regional interlocal agreement, or regional councils of governments.

Under the act, grantees may use the funds to develop new farmland access and affordability programs. However, grants cannot be used for any purpose that conflicts with farmland preservation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2027