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## SENATE BILL NO. 218

Introduced by: Senators Dennert, Hunhoff, Lawler, Morford-Burg, Reedy, Symens,  
Thompson, and Vitter and Representatives Waltman, Chicoine, Davis, Haley,  
Lee, Lockner, Lucas, Schaunaman, Schrempp, and Weber

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish the value-added agricultural loan fund, to  
2 transfer funds from the revolving economic development and initiative fund, and to  
3 continuously appropriate the money in the fund.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

5 Section 1. The Board of Economic Development shall transfer the sum of ten million dollars  
6 by October 1, 1997, the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars by October 1, 1998,  
7 the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars by October 1, 1999, the sum of two million  
8 five hundred thousand dollars by October 1, 2000, and the sum of two million five hundred  
9 thousand dollars by October 1, 2001, from the revolving economic development and initiative  
10 fund to the Department of Agriculture to be deposited in the value-added agricultural loan fund.

11 Section 2. All money in the value-added agriculture loan fund is continuously appropriated  
12 for the purpose of making loans for projects that add value to agricultural commodities. Money  
13 in the value-added agriculture loan fund is available for matching on a one-to-one basis. Loan  
14 repayments, interest, and investment earnings shall be credited to the value-added agriculture  
15 loan fund.

1 Section 3. The value-added finance authority may adopt rules:

2 (1) To make loans from the value-added agriculture loan fund; and

3 (2) Establishing criteria for application, qualification, payment, and repayment of loans  
4 from the value-added agriculture loan fund for value-added agricultural projects.

5 Section 4. The Value-Added Finance Authority shall prepare an annual report of the value-  
6 added agriculture loan fund by October first. The report shall detail the activities of the Value-  
7 Added Finance Authority, the terms and conditions of any loans made, and the current status of  
8 outstanding loans.

9 Section 5. The secretary of agriculture shall approve vouchers and the state auditor shall  
10 draw warrants to pay expenditures from the value-added agriculture loan fund.