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A bill for an act

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relating to energy; appropriating money to construct a geothermal energy system.

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

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Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; GEOTHERMAL ENERGY SYSTEM.**

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(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, paragraph (j),

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\$2,250,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the renewable development account

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established in Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, to the commissioner of

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commerce for a grant to Como Zoo in the city of St. Paul to construct a geothermal energy

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system that provides space heating and cooling to the large cats building.

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(b) For the purposes of this section, "geothermal energy system" means a system

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composed of a heat pump that moves a heat-transferring fluid through piping embedded in

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the earth and absorbs the earth's constant temperature, a heat exchanger, and ductwork to

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distribute heated and cooled air to a building.