Senator Murdock

moves to amend the bill on page 235, lines 6-7, by inserting between those lines the following language:

"FUNDING FOR FOOD BANKS

SECTION 10.6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law or of the Committee Report referenced in Section 43.2 of this act to the contrary, the funds appropriated by this act to the Food Banks in item 35 on page D12 of The Senate Committee Report dated May 16, 2023, shall be increased by four million dollars ($4,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 fiscal years, and the funds appropriated to the Opportunity Scholarships Grant Fund Reserve in item 106 on page B41 of the Senate Committee Report dated May 16, 2023, shall be reduced by four million dollars ($4,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 fiscal years.

GRANTS FOR MINORITY FARMERS

SECTION 10.7 The sum of two million four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($2,450,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the Small and Minority Farm program, to be used for the following purposes:

(1) To provide grants to black or other socially disadvantaged farmers for purchase of agricultural land.

(2) To provide grants to universities and nonprofit entities to provide training, advocacy, or legal services to black or other socially disadvantaged farmers for the purpose of preserving the use of land owned by these farmers for agricultural production.

(3) For training and apprenticeship programs to provide residents of the State between the ages of 18 and 29 from socially disadvantaged groups the academic, vocational, and social skills necessary to pursue long-term and productive careers in agriculture."

and by adjusting the totals accordingly.
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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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