

12.43B Value-added agricultural linked investment loan program.

1. The treasurer of state shall establish and administer, and adopt rules as necessary to establish and administer, a value-added agricultural linked investment loan program. The purpose of the program is to provide capital in the form of low-interest loans in order to do any of the following:

a. Stimulate existing businesses or encourage the establishment of new businesses that add value through the processing of agricultural commodities.

b. Encourage the production of agricultural commodities, if a shortage in production exists.

2. A borrower shall be eligible to participate in the value-added agricultural linked investment loan program, to the extent that the borrower meets eligibility requirements established by the treasurer of state as provided in section 12.34.

3. A borrower shall not receive a loan of more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars under this program.

99 Acts, ch 177, §5, 9