After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB21-1242 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

Amend reengrossed bill, page 6, before line 21 insert:

"SECTION 3. Appropriation. (1) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $101,333 is appropriated to the department of agriculture for use by the commissioner's office and administrative services. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) $93,783 for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the office will require an additional 0.9 FTE; and

(b) $7,550 for operating expenses."

Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

Page 1, line 103, strike "AGRICULTURE." and substitute "AGRICULTURE,
AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.".

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