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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to waters; appropriating money for groundwater storage and recovery.
1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.4 Section 1. **GROUNDWATER STORAGE AND RECOVERY.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2022 from the general
1.6 fund to the commissioner of natural resources to complete a centralized aquifer-property
1.7 database to provide needed data for site characterization.

1.8 Subd. 2. **Department of Health duties.** The commissioner of health must:

1.9 (1) develop a decision-support system and cost-benefit analysis tool for interested parties
1.10 to evaluate the potential to use aquifer storage and recovery;

1.11 (2) apply to United States Environmental Protection Agency for primacy over class V
1.12 injection wells;

1.13 (3) modify Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103I, to allow injection wells in aquifer storage
1.14 and recovery projects that meet specified design criteria; and

1.15 (4) develop a process for well permitting with engineering and environmental details
1.16 including source water, aquifer, pre- and post-treatment, reporting, and monitoring
1.17 requirements.