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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/18/2019	429	Introduction and first reading Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Finance

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to natural resources; appropriating money to ensure availability of clean

1.3 and sustainable sources of groundwater.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS; ENSURE CLEAN AND SUSTAINABLE SOURCES**

1.6 **OF GROUNDWATER.**

1.7 \$1,200,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$600,000 in fiscal year 2021 are appropriated from

1.8 the fund to the commissioner of natural resources to ensure the availability of clean

1.9 and sustainable sources of groundwater. Of this amount:

1.10 (1) \$600,000 the first year is for a pilot program to use existing data to perform water

1.11 balance analyses and to incorporate those analyses into at least one county geologic atlas

1.12 and at least one comprehensive watershed management plan developed under Minnesota

1.13 Statutes, section 103B.801. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30,

1.14 2021;

1.15 (2) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are to accelerate designating

1.16 additional groundwater management areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.287;

1.17 and

1.18 (3) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are to develop and implement,

1.19 in coordination with other affected state agencies, a water education program that incorporates

1.20 existing training materials and provides training on public use of geologic atlases and other

1.21 groundwater tools.