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A bill for an act  
relating to water; modifying certain groundwater appropriation permit  
requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103G.287, subdivision  
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103G.287, subdivision 2, is amended to  
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Subd. 2. **Relationship to surface water resources.** (a) Groundwater appropriations  
that will have substantial negative impacts to surface waters evidenced by field data from  
the affected area as determined by the commissioner are subject to applicable provisions  
in section 103G.285.

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(b) For the purposes of this subdivision, "substantial negative impacts" means  
impacts that change the hydrology sufficient to cause ecosystem harm or alter riparian  
uses long-term and, when applicable to streams, a 15 percent harmful effect in low flow.