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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; appropriating money for a study of plastic microbeads
1.3 in surface waters.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; PLASTIC MICROBEAD STUDY.**

1.6 \$..... is appropriated from the clean water fund in fiscal year 2015 to the
1.7 commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to identify polyethylene and other
1.8 plastic microbeads in the state's surface waters and, in consultation with the University
1.9 of Minnesota, to study their impact on aquatic ecosystems and human health. The
1.10 commissioner must examine water samples collected as part of the agency's ongoing
1.11 assessment of surface water impairment. No later than January 15, 2016, the commissioner
1.12 must present the agency's findings to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over
1.13 environment and natural resources policy and finance.