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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 3603

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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to water; modifying watershed district planning requirements; amending  
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 103D.401, subdivision 3; 103D.405, subdivision  
1.4 4.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 103D.401, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. **Director's ~~and~~, Metropolitan Council's, and municipality's**  
1.8 **recommendations.** After receiving the watershed management plan, the director and the  
1.9 Metropolitan Council must review and make recommendations on the watershed management  
1.10 plan. The governing body of a municipality affected by the watershed management plan  
1.11 may make recommendations on the plan to the watershed district and notify affected property  
1.12 owners. By 60 days after receiving the plan, the director and the Metropolitan Council must  
1.13 send their recommendations on the watershed management plan to the board and a copy to  
1.14 the managers of the watershed district, the county auditor of each county affected by the  
1.15 watershed district, the governing bodies of all municipalities affected by the watershed  
1.16 district, and soil and water conservation districts affected by the watershed district. The  
1.17 board may extend the period for review and transmittal of the recommendations.

1.18 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 103D.405, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.19 Subd. 4. **Director's ~~and~~, Metropolitan Council's, and local government's**  
1.20 **recommendations.** The director and the Metropolitan Council, if applicable, must review  
1.21 and make recommendations on the revised watershed management plan. A county board  
1.22 or a governing body of a municipality affected by the revised watershed management plan  
1.23 may make recommendations on the plan to the watershed district and notify affected property

2.1 owners. By 60 days after receiving the revised watershed management plan unless the time  
2.2 is extended by the board, the director and the council must send the recommendations on  
2.3 the revised watershed management plan to the board, and a copy of the recommendations  
2.4 to the managers, the county auditor of each county affected by the watershed district, the  
2.5 governing body of each municipality affected by the watershed district, and soil and water  
2.6 conservation districts affected by the watershed district.