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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; appropriating money for a municipal PFAS source
1.3 reduction initiative.

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

1.5 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; INITIATIVE TO REDUCE SOURCES OF PFAS
1.6 CONVEYED TO MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES.

1.7 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.8 of the Pollution Control Agency to develop and implement an initiative to reduce sources
1.9 of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in the environment that are
1.10 eventually conveyed to municipal wastewater treatment facilities. In developing and
1.11 implementing the initiative, the commissioner must work in cooperation with the Department
1.12 of Health and with an advisory group consisting of one municipal representative designated
1.13 by each of the following: the League of Minnesota Cities; the Coalition of Greater Minnesota
1.14 Cities; the Minnesota Environmental Science and Economic Review Board; the Minnesota
1.15 Municipal Utilities Association; Metropolitan Council Environmental Services; Minnesota
1.16 Association of Small Cities; Minnesota Rural Water Association; and the Association of
1.17 Metropolitan Municipalities. In developing and implementing the municipal initiative, the
1.18 commissioner must:

1.19 (1) identify sources of PFAS introduced into the environment that are eventually conveyed
1.20 to municipal wastewater treatment facilities;

1.21 (2) identify source reduction strategies that can effectively reduce the amount of PFAS
1.22 entering the environment that are eventually conveyed to municipal wastewater treatment
1.23 facilities;

- 2.1 (3) publish and distribute throughout the state guidance documents for local governments  
2.2 that include education materials about effective strategies to reduce PFAS sources;
- 2.3 (4) identify issues for future study; and
- 2.4 (5) by January 31, 2022, report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house  
2.5 of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the environment  
2.6 and natural resources on the development and implementation of the initiative.