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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to natural resources; requiring the installation of electric fish barriers.  
1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.4 Section 1. **ELECTRIC FISH BARRIERS.**

1.5 The commissioner of natural resources shall install electric fish barriers, using the  
1.6 most modern technology available for fish dispersal systems, to address the imminent  
1.7 threat posed to Minnesota's lakes and rivers by Asian carp. The commissioner of natural  
1.8 resources shall install strategically placed electric barriers at:

- 1.9 (1) United States Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, Lock and Dam 1;
- 1.10 (2) the Minnesota River flood control walls in the city of Mankato; and
- 1.11 (3) other locations determined by the commissioner to be strategic in mitigating the  
1.12 threat to Minnesota's waters from Asian carp.

1.13 The commissioner shall award a design-build contract for the design and construction  
1.14 of the electric barrier at Lock and Dam 1 no later than March 15, 2013. Construction of  
1.15 the electric barrier at Lock and Dam 1 shall be completed no later than March 31, 2014.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.