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		Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance
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		Joint rule 2.03, referred to Rules and Administration
		See SF3141, Art. 1, Sec. 58

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A bill for an act

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relating to environment; limiting the amount of Volkswagen settlement funds that

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may be spent on administrative expenses; prohibiting hiring additional personnel

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to administer the settlement.

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

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Section 1. **VOLKSWAGEN SETTLEMENT; LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE**

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EXPENSES; PROHIBITION ON HIRING.

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Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "settlement money" means

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money awarded to the state under the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement for State

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Beneficiaries described in Attachment A to the United States' Notice of Filing of Trust

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Agreements in the case of United States v. Volkswagen AG et al., Case No. 16-cv-295

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(N.D. Cal.).

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Subd. 2. **Limitation on administrative expenses.** The commissioner of the Pollution

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Control Agency must use no more than three percent of any settlement money for

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administering grant programs, delivering technical services, providing fiscal oversight, and

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ensuring accountability.

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Subd. 3. **Prohibition on hiring.** The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency

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must not hire additional staff using settlement money or to administer settlement money.