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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/19/2024	11631	Introduction and first reading Referred to Environment, Climate, and Legacy

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A bill for an act
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relating to game and fish; modifying walleye stocking provisions; requiring a
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report; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97C.
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
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Section 1. [97C.217] WALLEYE RAISING AND STOCKING.
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The commissioner of natural resources may not raise walleye in any waters in which
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walleye do not naturally occur and reproduce. The commissioner must acquire walleye for
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stocking from waters in which walleye are naturally occurring and reproducing or through
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purchases from private fish hatcheries.
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Sec. 2. WALLEYE STOCKING REPORT.
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By October 1, 2024, the commissioner of natural resources must report to the chairs and
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ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over environment
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and natural resources finance on walleye stocking efforts in this state. The report must
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include:
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(1) an assessment of how and the extent to which walleye stocking has impacted the
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ability of affected waters to sustain aquatic life; and
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(2) an enumeration and analysis of all expenditures related to rearing and stocking
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walleye.