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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

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Pursuant to Joint Rule 2.03 and in accordance with Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4,
re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to clean water; modifying membership of the Clean Water Council;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.30, subdivision 2.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **Membership; appointment.** (a) The commissioners of natural resources,
1.7 agriculture, health, and the Pollution Control Agency, ~~and~~ the executive director of the
1.8 Board of Water and Soil Resources, the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota,
1.9 and the Metropolitan Council shall each appoint one person from their respective ~~agency~~
1.10 entity to serve as a nonvoting member of the council. Two members of the house of
1.11 representatives, including one member from the majority party and one member from the
1.12 minority party, appointed by the speaker and two senators, including one member from
1.13 the majority party and one member from the minority party, appointed according to the
1.14 rules of the senate shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority as nonvoting
1.15 members of the council. ~~Agency and legislative~~ Members appointed under this paragraph
1.16 serve as nonvoting members of the council.

1.17 (b) ~~Nineteen~~ Seventeen voting members of the council shall be appointed by the
1.18 governor as follows:

- 1.19 (1) two members representing statewide farm organizations;
- 1.20 (2) two members representing business organizations;
- 1.21 (3) two members representing environmental organizations;
- 1.22 (4) one member representing soil and water conservation districts;
- 1.23 (5) one member representing watershed districts;

(6) one member representing nonprofit organizations focused on improvement of Minnesota lakes or streams;

(7) two members representing organizations of county governments, one member representing the interests of rural counties and one member representing the interests of counties in the seven-county metropolitan area;

(8) two members representing organizations of city governments;

~~(9) one member representing the Metropolitan Council established under section 473.123;~~

~~(10)~~ (9) one member representing township officers;

~~(11)~~ (10) one member representing the interests of tribal governments;

~~(12)~~ (11) one member representing statewide hunting organizations; and

~~(13) one member representing the University of Minnesota or a Minnesota state university; and~~

~~(14)~~ (12) one member representing statewide fishing organizations.

Members appointed under this paragraph must not be registered lobbyists or legislators.

In making appointments, the governor must attempt to provide for geographic balance.

The members of the council appointed by the governor are subject to the advice and consent of the senate.