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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2055

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Regulatory Reform

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to commerce; regulating electronic mail service providers; proposing
1.3 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

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

1.5 Section 1. 325F.6941 ELECTRONIC MAIL SERVICE.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) The terms used in this section have the meanings
1.7 given them in this subdivision.

1.8 (b) The definitions contained in section 325F.694 apply to this section.

1.9 (c) "Recipient" means the holder of an electronic mail address.

1.10 (d) "Dual service provider" means an electronic mail service provider that is also an
1.11 Internet service provider.

1.12 Subd. 2. Notice of suspension. A dual service provider must provide written
1.13 notice to a recipient if the recipient's electronic mail address will be nonfunctioning or
1.14 suspended while the dual service provider is transferring the recipient's Internet service to
1.15 a different location.

1.16 Subd. 3. Time limitations. A dual service provider shall not allow a recipient's
1.17 electronic mail address to remain nonfunctioning or suspended for longer than 12 hours.

1.18 Subd. 4. Damages. A dual service provider that violates this section is liable to the
1.19 recipient for actual, incidental, and consequential damages.

1.20 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after final enactment.