

A bill for an act
relating to health; establishing a standard of protection for the risk of cancer;
proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

Section 1. **[144.673] CANCER RISK ASSESSMENT.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(b) "Known carcinogen" means a substance categorized as a known human carcinogen by at least one of the following agencies: United States Environmental Protection Agency; United States Department of Health and Human Services, National Toxicology Program; or World Health Organization International Agency for Research on Cancer.

(c) "Probable carcinogen" means a substance categorized as a probable human carcinogen or a likely human carcinogen by at least one of the following agencies: United States Environmental Protection Agency; United States Department of Health and Human Services, National Toxicology Program; or World Health Organization International Agency for Research on Cancer.

Subd. 2. **Risk level.** The commissioner of health shall assess the risk of human cancer from known and probable carcinogens in the air, water, or soil using the following formula: a lifetime risk level of 10^{-6} , so that no more than one out of every 1,000,000 people exposed to a substance or chemical over a lifetime would be estimated to develop cancer from that exposure.

Subd. 3. **Implementation.** The risk level established in this section shall apply to permits and licenses issued on or after August 1, 2009. Any permits or licenses issued

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- 2.1 prior to August 1, 2009, that are affected by this section, shall remain valid until the permit
- 2.2 or license is renewed, revised, or reissued.
- 2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2008.