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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

A bill for an act

relating to environment; requiring rulemaking to require environmental impact statement for large animal projects.

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

Section 1. **MANDATORY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR LARGE LIVESTOCK PROJECTS.**

(a) The Environmental Quality Board must amend Minnesota Rules, part 4410.4400, to require that construction of an animal feedlot facility with a capacity of 10,000 or more animal units or the expansion of an existing animal feedlot facility to a total cumulative capacity of 10,000 or more animal units requires the preparation of an environmental impact statement.

(b) The commissioner may use the good-cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply except as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to applications submitted on or after that date.