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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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; establishing a drinking water contaminate mitigation
1.3 program; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATE MITIGATION PROGRAM.

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

1.8 (b) "Contractor" means a Minnesota licensed water conditioning contractor or Minnesota
1.9 licensed plumbing contractor.

1.10 (c) "Eligible water treatment system" means a system installed by a contractor that
1.11 complies with Minnesota Plumbing Code, 611.0 Water Conditioning Equipment.

1.12 (d) "Impacted area" means an area determined by the commissioner of the Pollution
1.13 Control Agency to have or likely have a water source where the level of manganese in the
1.14 water exceeds the health-based guidance for manganese developed by the commissioner of
1.15 health.

1.16 (e) "Rebate" means a rebate up to \$1,400 regardless of the size or cost of the work
1.17 performed or system installed.

1.18 Subd. 2. Rebate program. The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency must
1.19 establish a program to provide rebates to contractors that install eligible water treatment
1.20 systems in residential buildings that reduce known or emerging contaminants in drinking
1.21 water from impacted areas. Under the program, the commissioner must require that:

2.1 (1) rebate applications include specifications about the water treatment system being
2.2 installed;

2.3 (2) contractors certify that the water treatment system will be installed in a manner that
2.4 complies with this section and the requirements under subdivision 3;

2.5 (3) both the owner or lessee of the property and the contractor sign a rebate application;

2.6 (4) rebates are sent to the contractor; and

2.7 (5) contractors receive ten percent up front from the owner or lessee and the contractors
2.8 are responsible for submitting rebate applications.

2.9 Subd. 3. **Eligibility.** To be eligible for a rebate under this section, the contractor must
2.10 certify that:

2.11 (1) the owner or lessee of the residential building has a household income of \$95,000
2.12 or less; and

2.13 (2) the residential building is within an impacted area.

2.14 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATE MITIGATION**
2.15 **PROGRAM.**

2.16 \$..... in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of
2.17 the Pollution Control Agency to issue rebates under the drinking water contaminate mitigation
2.18 program established under section 1. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until
2.19 June 30, 2028.