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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3716

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; adding variance considerations related to submerged closed loop
1.3 heat exchanger systems; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,
1.4 chapter 103I.

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

1.6 Section 1. 103I.2091 SUBMERGED CLOSED LOOP HEAT EXCHANGER
1.7 SYSTEM; VARIANCES.

1.8 Subdivision 1. Variance. In addition to any variances considered under Minnesota Rules,
1.9 part 4725.0410, to the isolation distance requirements under Minnesota Rules, part 4725.4450,
1.10 for a water supply well containing a submerged closed loop heat exchange, the commissioner
1.11 shall consider request for a variance for a water supply well containing a submerged closed
1.12 loop heat exchanger for the sole purpose of heating and cooling if the applicant demonstrates
1.13 that strict compliance with the isolation distance requirement would impose an undue burden
1.14 on the applicant's ability to design and install an effective submerged closed loop heat
1.15 exchanger system. In evaluating variance requests, the commissioner shall consider factors
1.16 critical to the effective design and operation of the submerged closed loop heat exchanger
1.17 system, including but not limited to the need for adequate spacing between submerged
1.18 closed loop heat exchanger wells to optimize thermal performance and the necessity of
1.19 minimizing lateral piping lengths to reduce energy loss and improve system efficiency.

1.20 Sec. 2. REVISOR INSTRUCTION.

1.21 In Minnesota Statutes the revisor of statutes shall renumber section 103I.208, subdivision
1.22 3, as section 103I.2091, subdivision 2, and shall appropriately revise any statutory
1.23 cross-references consistent with that recoding.