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Introduction and first reading  
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- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to health; modifying provisions governing fluoridation of public water
- 1.3 supplies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.145.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.145, is amended to read:
- 1.6 **144.145 FLUORIDATION OF MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLIES.**
- 1.7 (a) For the purpose of promoting public health through prevention of tooth decay, the
- 1.8 person, firm, corporation, or municipality having jurisdiction over a ~~municipal~~ public water
- 1.9 supply, whether publicly or privately owned or operated, shall control:
- 1.10 (1) whether to fluoridate the public water supply; and
- 1.11 (2) the quantities of fluoride in the water in a public water supply that opts to fluoridate
- 1.12 so as to maintain a fluoride content that is within the parameters prescribed by the state
- 1.13 commissioner of health. ~~In the manner provided by law,~~
- 1.14 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a person, firm, corporation, or municipality having
- 1.15 jurisdiction over a public water supply must not fluoridate water that contains naturally
- 1.16 occurring fluoride within the parameters for fluoride content established by the commissioner
- 1.17 of health in rule.
- 1.18 (c) The ~~state~~ commissioner of health shall:
- 1.19 (1) promulgate rules according to chapter 14 relating to the fluoridation of public water
- 1.20 supplies ~~which shall~~ that opt to fluoridate. The rules must include, but ~~are not~~ be limited to
- 1.21 the following:

- 2.1 (i) parameters for fluoride content;
- 2.2 ~~(1)~~ (ii) the means by which fluoride is controlled;
- 2.3 ~~(2)~~ (iii) the methods of testing the fluoride content; and
- 2.4 ~~(3)~~ (iv) the records to be kept relating to fluoridation. ~~The state commissioner of health~~
- 2.5 ~~shall; and~~
- 2.6 (2) enforce the provisions of this section and rules adopted under this section for public
- 2.7 water supplies that opt to fluoridate. ~~In so doing the commissioner shall require the~~
- 2.8 ~~fluoridation of water in all municipal water supplies on or before January 1, 1970. The state~~
- 2.9 ~~commissioner of health shall not require the fluoridation of water in any municipal water~~
- 2.10 ~~supply where such water supply in the state of nature contains sufficient fluorides to conform~~
- 2.11 ~~with the rules of such commissioner.~~
- 2.12 (d) The commissioner of health is prohibited from requiring fluoridation of public water
- 2.13 supplies.