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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1815

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to municipal liquor; providing for an accounting adjustment; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.602.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 340A.602, is amended to read:

1.6 340A.602 CONTINUATION.

1.7 In any city in which the report of the operations of a municipal liquor store has shown
1.8 a net loss prior to interfund transfer and without regard to costs related to pension obligations
1.9 of store employees, as required by Statement 68 of the Governmental Accounting Standards
1.10 Board, in any two of three consecutive years, the city council shall, not more than 45 days
1.11 prior to the end of the fiscal year following the three-year period, hold a public hearing on
1.12 the question of whether the city shall continue to operate a municipal liquor store. Two
1.13 weeks' notice, written in clear and easily understandable language, of the hearing must be
1.14 printed in the city's official newspaper. Following the hearing the city council may on its
1.15 own motion or shall upon petition of five percent or more of the registered voters of the
1.16 city, submit to the voters at a general or special municipal election the question of whether
1.17 the city shall continue or discontinue municipal liquor store operations by a date which the
1.18 city council shall designate. The date designated by the city council must not be more than
1.19 30 months following the date of the election. The form of the question shall be: "Shall the
1.20 city of (name) discontinue operating the municipal liquor store on (Month xx, 2xxx)?".

1.21 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.