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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 3346

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; appropriating money for generic environmental impact
1.3 statement for Pineland Sands area.

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

1.5 Section 1. PINELAND SANDS GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
1.6 STATEMENT.

1.7 \$1,854,000 in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the general fund to the Environmental
1.8 Quality Board to prepare, in cooperation with other agencies, a generic environmental impact
1.9 statement or similar environmental study that quantifies the effects of land use conversion
1.10 in the Pineland Sands area and predicts the cumulative effects of large-scale conversion to
1.11 irrigated agriculture, including the potential impacts on groundwater and potential impacts
1.12 of pesticides. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2024.