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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **818**

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

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to taxation; property; abating property taxes on certain natural gas pipelines;
- 1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 275.025, by adding a subdivision.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 275.025, is amended by adding a subdivision
- 1.6 to read:
- 1.7 Subd. 6. Natural gas pipeline. (a) The county must abate the state general levy on
- 1.8 personal property that is part of an intrastate natural gas transportation or distribution pipeline
- 1.9 system if:
- 1.10 (1) construction of the pipeline system commenced after January 1, 2018; and
- 1.11 (2) the pipeline system provides service to an area:
- 1.12 (i) outside the seven-county metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121, subdivision
- 1.13 4; and
- 1.14 (ii) in which the majority of households or businesses lacked access to natural gas
- 1.15 distribution systems as of January 1, 2018.
- 1.16 (b) In the first year that a taxpayer seeks an abatement under this subdivision, the taxpayer
- 1.17 must file an application with the commissioner of revenue by March 1 of the assessment
- 1.18 year on a form prescribed by the commissioner.
- 1.19 (c) The commissioner of revenue must notify any affected county in the first year that
- 1.20 a pipeline system becomes eligible for an abatement under this subdivision.

2.1 (d) The abatement under this subdivision applies for a period not to exceed 12 years,
2.2 provided that once a property no longer qualifies, it may not subsequently qualify for an
2.3 abatement under this subdivision.

2.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2021.