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02/03/2022	4882	Introduction and first reading Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Finance

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to natural resources; appropriating money for a sustainable water pilot

1.3program; requiring a report.

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

1.5Section 1. **SUSTAINABLE DRINKING WATER PILOT PROGRAM;**

1.6**APPROPRIATION.**

1.7(a) \$..... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner

1.8of natural resources, in cooperation with the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota,

1.9Minnesota Geological Survey, to ensure safe and sustainable drinking water by:

1.10(1) selecting a pilot program area consisting of a multicounty area that includes only

1.11counties for which county geologic atlases have been completed and in which a priority

1.12regional aquifer or watershed is located;

1.13(2) synthesizing county geologic atlas mapping on an aquifer or watershed basis in the

1.14pilot program area in a manner to best support modeling. The data compilation must include

1.15information about discharge and recharge as well as other data required for modeling;

1.16(3) constructing a computer flow model to determine the water budget for the aquifer

1.17or watershed in the pilot program area in a manner intended to support ongoing determination

1.18of prudential limits on sustainable water appropriations from the aquifer or watershed; and

1.19(4) submitting a report no later than October 1,, to the chairs and ranking minority

1.20members of the house of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction

1.21over environment and natural resources policy and finance that summarizes the synthesis

- 2.1 and model for the aquifer or watershed and makes recommendations for a program to
- 2.2 complete similar aquifer or watershed studies in other areas of the state.
- 2.3 (b) This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30,