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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to utilities; requiring electric utilities to obtain consent to install certain
- 1.3 electric meters; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **[216B.076] SMART METER GATEWAY DEVICE; CONSENT.**
- 1.6 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
- 1.7 the meanings given.
- 1.8 (b) "Electric utility" has the meaning given in section 216B.38, subdivision 5.
- 1.9 (c) "Smart meter gateway device" means any electric utility meter, electric utility meter
- 1.10 component, electric utility load control device, or device ancillary to the electric utility
- 1.11 meter that is located at an end user's residence or business and: (1) serves as a
- 1.12 communications gateway or portal to electrical appliances, electrical equipment, or electrical
- 1.13 devices within the end user's residence or business; or (2) otherwise communicates with,
- 1.14 monitors, or controls electrical appliances, electrical equipment, or electrical devices within
- 1.15 the end user's residence or business.
- 1.16 Subd. 2. Property owner consent required. (a) An electric utility that sells or provides
- 1.17 electricity in Minnesota is prohibited from installing a smart meter gateway device on or
- 1.18 in a person's home or business without the written consent of the person who owns the home
- 1.19 or business.
- 1.20 (b) An electric utility must create a form that the person who owns the home or business
- 1.21 must sign to opt in to having a smart meter gateway device installed on or in the person's
- 1.22 home or business. The form must be in 12-point, boldface type and state that:

2.1 (1) the opt-in is optional and the person's service is not affected if the person elects to
2.2 not opt in; and

2.3 (2) the device is a smart meter gateway device, and include the definition in subdivision
2.4 1, paragraph (c).

2.5 Subd. 3. **Smart meter gateway device; disclosure.** When an electric utility enrolls a
2.6 homeowner or business owner for electrical service at the person's home or business, the
2.7 electric utility must: (1) disclose in writing whether a smart meter gateway device has been
2.8 installed; and (2) upon written request of the homeowner or business owner, remove or
2.9 allow the removal of all smart meter gateway devices.