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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; requiring third-party contracting for certain analytical
1.3 testing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 84.027, by adding a
1.4 subdivision; 116.07, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 84.027, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 21. Contracting for testing. When the commissioner's duties require physical
1.9 analytical testing, the commissioner must contract with a third party to perform the testing
1.10 if the third party uses testing methods that yield results:

1.11 (1) more quickly than the testing methods available to the department; and

1.12 (2) that are at least as accurate as the results obtained with testing methods available to
1.13 the department.

1.14 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to
1.15 read:

1.16 Subd. 13. Contracting for testing. When the commissioner's duties require physical
1.17 analytical testing, the commissioner must contract with a third party to perform the testing
1.18 if the third party uses testing methods that yield results:

1.19 (1) more quickly than the testing methods available to the agency; and

1.20 (2) that are at least as accurate as the results obtained with testing methods available to
1.21 the agency.