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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1163

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to natural resources; reinstating the five-year moratorium on wolf
1.3 hunting; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.645, subdivision 9.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.645, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 9. Open season; moratorium. Beginning June 30, 2013, there shall be
1.7 no open season for wolves until after the wolf is delisted under the federal Endangered
1.8 Species Act of 1973 for a five-year period. After that time, the commissioner may
1.9 prescribe open seasons and restrictions for taking wolves but only if population
1.10 management is deemed necessary and other means for controlling the wolf population are
1.11 explored. The commissioner must provide opportunity for public comment.