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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; creating the Office of Enterprise Sustainability;
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16B.

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

1.5 Section 1. 16B.372 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY GOVERNMENT
1.6 OPERATIONS; OFFICE CREATED.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Enterprise sustainability. (a) The Office of Enterprise Sustainability is
1.8 established to assist all state agencies in making measurable progress toward improving the
1.9 sustainability of government operations by reducing the impact on the environment,
1.10 controlling unnecessary waste of natural resources and public funds, and spurring innovation.
1.11 The office shall create new tools and share best practices, assist state agencies to plan for
1.12 and implement improvements, and monitor progress toward achieving intended outcomes.
1.13 Specific duties include but are not limited to:

1.14 (1) managing a sustainability metrics and reporting system, including a public dashboard
1.15 that allows Minnesotans to track progress;

1.16 (2) assisting agencies in developing and executing sustainability plans; and

1.17 (3) publishing an annual report.

1.18 Subd. 2. State agency responsibilities. Each cabinet-level agency is required to
1.19 participate in the sustainability effort by developing a sustainability plan and by making
1.20 measurable progress toward improving associated sustainability outcomes. State agencies
1.21 and boards that are not members of the cabinet shall take steps toward improving

2.1 sustainability outcomes; however, they are not required to participate at the level of
2.2 cabinet-level agencies.

2.3 Subd. 3. **Local governments.** The Office of Enterprise Sustainability shall make
2.4 reasonable attempts to share tools and best practices with local governments.