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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2082

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to natural resources; appropriating money to implement aquatic invasive
1.3 species research.

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

1.5 Section 1. AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES RESEARCH IMPLEMENTATION;
1.6 APPROPRIATION.

1.7 (a) \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board
1.8 of Regents of the University of Minnesota for the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species
1.9 Research Center to enhance and implement the center's aquatic invasive species
1.10 research-based solutions through:

1.11 (1) implementation of a watershed scale carp management plan and additional research
1.12 focused on site-specific method refinement and evaluation;

1.13 (2) creation of a long-term monitoring program with state and local partners that evaluates
1.14 the feasibility of whole-lake zebra mussel control projects and the development of criteria
1.15 for selecting and managing lakes; and

1.16 (3) refinement and implementation of large scale surveillance and early detection methods
1.17 for high-priority aquatic invasive species, including but not limited to zebra mussels, spiny
1.18 water flea, and starry stonewort.

1.19 (b) This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.