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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 Mining and Outdoor Recreation Policy

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to game and fish; prohibiting use of unmanned aircraft systems to take,

1.3harm, or harass wild animals; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota

1.4Statutes, chapter 97A.

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

1.6Section 1. [97A.036] USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS TO TAKE

1.7WILD ANIMALS PROHIBITED.

1.8Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this

1.9section.

1.10(b) "Unmanned aircraft" means an aircraft that is operated without the possibility of

1.11direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft.

1.12(c) "Unmanned aircraft system" means an unmanned aircraft and associated

1.13elements, including communication links and the components that control the unmanned

1.14aircraft, that are required for the pilot in command to operate safely and efficiently in the

1.15national airspace system.

1.16Subd. 2. Prohibition. A person may not use an unmanned aircraft system to take,

1.17harm, or harass a wild animal.