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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **2805**

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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to natural resources; applying open meeting law to certain treaty-related  
1.3 meetings; requiring aquatic invasive species report; proposing coding for new  
1.4 law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97A.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[97A.17] 1837 TREATY RIGHTS; OPEN MEETINGS.**

1.7 Meetings involving the Department of Natural Resources, Ojibwe bands, and the  
1.8 Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission regarding 1837 treaty rights are subject  
1.9 to the open meeting requirements under chapter 13D. Up to five members of the Mille  
1.10 Lacs Fishery Input Group must be allowed to attend any meeting under this section.

1.11 Sec. 2. **AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES; MILLE LACS AND CEDED**  
1.12 **TERRITORIES; REPORT.**

1.13 The commissioner of natural resources shall provide a report to the Mille Lacs  
1.14 Fishery Input Group describing the extent to which state law and the Department of  
1.15 Natural Resources require containment of aquatic invasive species in Lake Mille Lacs and  
1.16 the ceded territories and the existing enforcement mechanisms to achieve containment  
1.17 in those areas.