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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy
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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; prohibiting an agency from procuring supplies or
1.3 services from persons that fail to disclose as required by federal law information
1.4 relating to conflict minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of the
1.5 Congo or its neighboring countries; requiring an agency to provide notice of the
1.6 prohibition in any solicitation for supplies or services; proposing coding for new
1.7 law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16C.

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

1.9 Section 1. [16C.067] CONFLICT-FREE MINERALS.

1.10 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms
1.11 have the meanings given them.

1.12 (b) "Conflict mineral" means a mineral or mineral derivative determined under
1.13 federal law to be financing human conflict. Conflict mineral includes columbite-tantalite
1.14 (coltan), cassiterite, gold, wolframite, or derivatives of those minerals.

1.15 (c) "Noncompliant person" means a person:

1.16 (1) who is required to disclose under federal law information relating to conflict
1.17 minerals that originated in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or its neighboring
1.18 countries; and

1.19 (2) for whom the disclosure is not filed, is considered under federal law to be an
1.20 unreliable determination, or contains false information.

1.21 Subd. 2. **Prohibition.** No commissioner may knowingly procure supplies or
1.22 services from a noncompliant person.

1.23 Subd. 3. **Notice.** In any solicitation for supplies or services, a commissioner shall
1.24 provide notice of the requirements of this section.