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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **4380**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to natural resources; restricting authority of Board of Water and Soil
1.3 Resources to amend plan for administrative penalty orders.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES; PLAN FOR**
1.6 **ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY ORDERS.**

1.7 The Board of Water and Soil Resources must not amend the Administrative Penalty
1.8 Order (APO) Plan for Buffer Law Implementation, dated June 28, 2017, to allow penalties
1.9 to be imposed based on linear feet of riparian frontage. The board must not impose a new
1.10 penalty or increase a penalty that exists on the effective date of this act unless the penalty
1.11 is approved by the legislature. The restriction under this section applies to modifying the
1.12 method of calculating penalties under Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision
1.13 12a, if the modified method results in increased fine amounts.

1.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.