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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. **644**

- 02/18/2013 Authored by Atkins, Nelson, Mahoney, Newton, Sundin and others  
The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law
- 03/06/2013 Adoption of Report: Pass and re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection Finance and Policy
- 03/13/2013 Adoption of Report: Pass as Amended and Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to commerce; regulating building and construction contracts; prohibiting  
 1.3 certain agreements to insure; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 337.05,  
 1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 337.05, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Agreements valid.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph  
 1.8 (b), sections 337.01 to 337.05 do not affect the validity of agreements whereby a promisor  
 1.9 agrees to provide specific insurance coverage for the benefit of others.

1.10 (b) An agreement or contract provision that requires a party to provide insurance  
 1.11 coverage to one or more other parties, including third parties, for the negligence or  
 1.12 intentional acts or omissions of any of those parties, including third parties, is against  
 1.13 public policy and is void and unenforceable.

1.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective August 1, 2013,  
 1.15 and applies to agreements entered into on and after that date.