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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Finance

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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to water; appropriating money to improve water and wastewater treatment.

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

1.4 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS; DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER**  
1.5 **INFRASTRUCTURE.**

1.6 (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the .... fund to the commissioner of  
1.7 the Pollution Control Agency, in cooperation with the Minnesota Rural Water Association,  
1.8 to accelerate and enhance cost-effectiveness plan reviews and asset management plans for  
1.9 wastewater treatment facilities.

1.10 (b) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the .... fund to provide assistance,  
1.11 including training, tool development, and technical assistance, to the Minnesota Rural Water  
1.12 Association, the Minnesota Technical Assistance Program at the University of Minnesota,  
1.13 and cities to encourage innovative best management practices at drinking water, wastewater,  
1.14 and storm water facilities. Of this amount, \$..... is to the commissioner of the Pollution  
1.15 Control Agency and \$..... is to the commissioner of health.

1.16 (c) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the .... fund to assist applicants for  
1.17 programs administered by the Public Facilities Authority and other communities with  
1.18 developing and maintaining asset management plans for drinking water, wastewater, and  
1.19 storm water. Of this amount, \$..... is to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency,  
1.20 \$..... is to the commissioner of health, and \$..... is to the Public Facilities Authority.

1.21 (d) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the .... fund to the Public Facilities  
1.22 Authority to assess, encourage, develop, and implement wastewater infrastructure alternatives

2.1 to cost-effectively maximize wastewater treatment, including plan development,  
2.2 regionalization, and cooperative management. The Public Facilities Authority may work  
2.3 with the Minnesota Technical Assistance Program at the University of Minnesota to  
2.4 implement this paragraph.

2.5 (e) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the .... fund to the commissioner of  
2.6 the Pollution Control Agency to develop and implement market-based water quality trading  
2.7 options for wastewater and storm water in several areas.

2.8 (f) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the general fund to the Public Facilities  
2.9 Authorities to address public health risks from public water supplies, including grants to  
2.10 public water suppliers to replace lead service lines.

2.11 (g) \$..... in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the .... fund to the commissioner of  
2.12 the Pollution Control Agency, in cooperation with the commissioner of health, to identify  
2.13 and address areas where subsurface sewage treatment systems pose the most serious risk  
2.14 to the environment and human health and to provide technical assistance, grants, and other  
2.15 financial assistance to incentivize upgrades, replacements, and alternatives to improve water  
2.16 quality.

2.17 (h) The appropriations in this section are onetime and are available until June 30, 2021.