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A bill for an act

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relating to natural resources; providing conditions upon terminating certain mineral

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leases in 2021.

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

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Section 1. CONDITIONS UPON TERMINATING CERTAIN MINERAL LEASES

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IN 2021.

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If the commissioner of natural resources terminates state mineral leases associated with

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a mine permit for an operation to mine, provide direct reduction of ore, and make steel in

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calendar year 2021, the commissioners of natural resources and the Pollution Control Agency

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must wait at least two years after the termination before initiating action to terminate

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environmental permits associated with the mining or processing of iron ore from the lands,

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unless earlier termination is necessary to ensure environmental protection or if otherwise

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governed by federal law. Nothing in this section prohibits a permittee from proposing to

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amend or otherwise exercise any existing rights to transfer or cancel permits under existing

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law. Nothing in this section precludes the commissioner of natural resources from terminating

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or transferring any state mineral leases issued in association with the properties listed above,

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provided the termination or transfer complies with all other requirements of Minnesota

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Statutes, chapter 93.