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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. F. No. 1542

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; providing for an exemption from commercial pesticide
1.3 applicator licensing for use of sanitizers and disinfectants in response to COVID-19;
1.4 amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 18B.33, subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 18B.33, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. Requirement. (a) A person may not apply a pesticide for hire without a
1.8 commercial applicator license for the appropriate use categories or a structural pest control
1.9 license.

1.10 (b) A commercial applicator licensee must have a valid license identification card to
1.11 purchase a restricted use pesticide or apply pesticides for hire and must display it upon
1.12 demand by an authorized representative of the commissioner or a law enforcement officer.
1.13 The commissioner shall prescribe the information required on the license identification
1.14 card.

1.15 (c) A person licensed under this section is considered qualified and is not required to
1.16 verify, document, or otherwise prove a particular need prior to use, except as required by
1.17 the federal label.

1.18 (d) A person who uses a general-use sanitizer or disinfectant for hire in response to
1.19 COVID-19 is exempt from the commercial applicator license requirements under this section.

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