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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state lands; prohibiting acquisition of land for flood control or water

1.3 retention under certain circumstances; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota

1.4 Statutes, chapter 16B.

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

1.6 Section 1. [16B.2971] ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY PROHIBITED; FLOOD

1.7 CONTROL AND WATER RETENTION.

1.8 (a) An agency or nonprofit organization may not acquire real property in fee or by

1.9 easement for the purpose of a flood control or water retention project if the state owns land

1.10 within the project area.

1.11 (b) For the purposes of this section, a "flood control or water retention project" is a

1.12 project with the primary purpose to hold water on the land or otherwise prevent flooding.