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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **637**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; authorizing the city of North Branch to increase its
1.3 Public Utilities Commission from three to up to five members.

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

1.5 Section 1. **NORTH BRANCH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**
1.6 **MEMBERSHIP.**

1.7 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 412.341, subdivision 1, the city
1.8 of North Branch may by ordinance increase the membership of the city's Public Utilities
1.9 Commission to a maximum of five members. The ordinance must provide for staggered
1.10 terms for the commission members. The ordinance may provide that residency within the
1.11 city is not a qualification for serving on the commission, and permit up to two members of
1.12 the city council to serve on the commission.

1.13 (b) The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 412.331 to 412.391, that do not
1.14 conflict with paragraph (a) apply to the additional members to the same extent that they
1.15 apply to the other members of the commission.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after the governing body of
1.17 the city of North Branch and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes,
1.18 section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.