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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 solid waste; modifying closure requirements for solid waste disposal
1.3 facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, subdivision 4f.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, subdivision 4f, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 4f. **Closure and postclosure responsibility and liability.** (a) An operator or
1.7 owner of a facility is responsible for closure of the facility and postclosure care relating to
1.8 the facility. If an owner or operator has failed to provide the required closure or postclosure
1.9 care of the facility, the agency may take the actions. The owner or operator is liable for the
1.10 costs of the required closure and postclosure care taken by the agency.

1.11 (b) If the remaining capacity of a solid waste disposal facility is less than 1.5 percent of
1.12 the facility's design capacity based on the facility's most recent annual report, the owner or
1.13 operator of the facility must complete the required closure of the facility within 24 months
1.14 of the date the annual report was submitted or within 24 months of the effective date of this
1.15 section, whichever is later. The commissioner may issue a permit to continue operating the
1.16 facility until closure is completed or may approve an alternative timeline to complete the
1.17 closure.