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		Second reading

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to energy; authorizing construction and operation of a natural gas combined

1.3 cycle electric generation plant.

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

1.5 Section 1. **NATURAL GAS COMBINED CYCLE ELECTRIC GENERATION**

1.6 **PLANT.**

1.7 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.243, or any other law or rule to the

1.8 contrary, a public utility may, at its sole discretion, construct, own, and operate a natural

1.9 gas combined cycle electric generation plant as proposed to the Public Utilities Commission

1.10 in docket number 15-21, provided that the plant is (1) located on property in Sherburne

1.11 County, Minnesota, already owned by the public utility, and (2) constructed after August

1.12 1, 2017. The commission must approve recovery of costs associated with the construction

1.13 and operation of a plant under this section as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section

1.14 216B.16.