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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

H. F. No. 1937

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Regulatory Reform

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to commerce; prohibiting the sale of powdered alcohol for one
1.3 year; requiring agency testimony on the impact of powdered alcohol on law
1.4 enforcement and public health.

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

1.6 Section 1. **POWDERED ALCOHOL POLICY STUDY.**

1.7 (a) No person shall manufacture, import, distribute, or sell powdered alcohol until
1.8 June 1, 2016.

1.9 (b) The director of the Division of Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement must prepare
1.10 testimony for the commerce and regulatory reform committee, and any other relevant
1.11 committee, about whether current laws could be adequately enforced with regard to the
1.12 manufacture, importation, distribution, and sale of powdered alcohol. The director may
1.13 make recommendations for legislation addressing any stated concerns. The testimony
1.14 required under this paragraph is due by December 7, 2015.

1.15 (c) The commissioner of health must prepare testimony for the Health and Human
1.16 Services Reform Committee, and any other relevant committee, about the public health
1.17 impact of powdered alcohol. The commissioner must address whether there is a potential
1.18 for greater abuse of and addiction to powdered alcohol relative to malt liquor, wine, and
1.19 distilled spirits. The commissioner may make recommendations for legislation addressing
1.20 any stated concerns. The testimony required under this paragraph is due by December
1.21 7, 2015.

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