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A bill for an act
relating to energy; relieving Energy Conservation Information Center from
certain data-gathering responsibilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010,
section 216C.11.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 216C.11, is amended to read:

216C.11 ENERGY CONSERVATION INFORMATION CENTER.

The commissioner shall establish an Energy Information Center in the department's
offices in St. Paul. The information center shall maintain a toll-free telephone information
service and disseminate printed materials on energy conservation topics, including but
not limited to, availability of loans and other public and private financing methods
for energy conservation physical improvements, the techniques and materials used to
conserve energy in buildings, including retrofitting or upgrading insulation and installing
weatherstripping, the projected prices and availability of different sources of energy,
and alternative sources of energy.

The Energy Information Center shall serve as the official Minnesota Alcohol Fuels
Information Center and shall disseminate information, printed, by the toll-free telephone
information service, or otherwise on the applicability and technology of alcohol fuels.

The information center shall include information on the potential hazards of energy
conservation techniques and improvements in the printed materials disseminated. The
commissioner shall not be liable for damages arising from the installation or operation of
equipment or materials recommended by the information center.

The information center shall use the information collected under section 216C.02,
subdivision 1, to maintain a central source of information on conservation and other

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2.1 energy-related programs, including both programs required by law or rule and programs
2.2 developed and carried on voluntarily. ~~In particular, the information center shall compile~~
2.3 ~~and maintain information on policies covering disconnections or denials of fuel during~~
2.4 ~~cold weather adopted by public utilities and other fuel suppliers not governed by section~~
2.5 ~~216B.096 or 216B.097, including the number of households disconnected or denied fuel~~
2.6 ~~and the duration of the disconnections or denials.~~