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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Job Growth and Energy Affordability Policy and Finance

A bill for an act 1.1

relating to energy; modifying energy auditor standards; amending Minnesota 1.2 Statutes 2016, section 216C.435, subdivisions 3a, 4. 13

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 216C.435, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

Subd. 3a. Cost-effective energy improvements. "Cost-effective energy improvements" mean energy improvements that have been identified in an energy audit or renewable energy system feasibility study as repaying their purchase and installation costs in 20 years or less, based on the amount of future energy saved and estimated future energy prices.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 216C.435, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Energy audit.** "Energy audit" means a formal evaluation of the energy consumption of a building by a certified energy auditor, whose certification is approved by the commissioner qualified professional, for the purpose of identifying appropriate energy improvements that could be made to the building and including an estimate of the length of time a specific energy improvement will take to repay its purchase and installation costs, based on the amount of energy saved and estimated future energy prices. 1.16

Sec. 2. 1