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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services

March 20, 2007

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass as Amended

Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; requiring the commissioner of health to develop health risk
1.3 limits for certain perfluorochemicals; requiring a report on the health effects and
1.4 health risk limits for perfluorochemicals.

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

1.6 Section 1. HEALTH RISK LIMITS REQUIRED.

1.7 By August 1, 2007, the commissioner of health shall develop and adopt by rule,
1.8 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, clause (1), health risk limits, as defined
1.9 in Minnesota Statutes, section 103H.005, subdivision 3, for perfluorooctanoic acid, and
1.10 perfluorooctane sulfonate. The commissioner shall develop and adopt the health risk
1.11 limits according to Minnesota Statutes, section 144.0751, and ensure that the health risk
1.12 limits are based on currently available toxicity and exposure data.

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

1.14 Sec. 2. HEALTH RISK LIMITS FOR PERFLUOROCHEMICALS; REPORT.

1.15 By January 15, 2008, the commissioner of health shall provide a report to the house
1.16 of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over health and environmental
1.17 policy on the commissioner's progress in determining the health effects and the
1.18 development of the health risk limits, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 103H.005,
1.19 subdivision 3, for perfluorochemicals. By September 30, 2007, the commissioner shall
1.20 provide an interim status report to the committees. The report shall include, but is not
1.21 limited to:

1.22 (1) the health effects and health risk limits adopted for perfluorooctanoic acid and
1.23 perfluorooctane sulfonate;

2.1 (2) the health effects and the need to develop health risk limits for perfluorobutanoic  
2.2 acid and other perfluorochemicals;

2.3 (3) the health effects and the need to develop health risk limits for combinations of  
2.4 perfluorochemicals; and

2.5 (4) a comparison of health based values for perfluorochemicals established in  
2.6 Minnesota and the values established for those chemicals in other states including the  
2.7 state of New Jersey.

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