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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to the environment; requiring emissions reporting, environmental
1.3 review, and permitting for outstate sources of electricity delivered to this state;
1.4 authorizing rulemaking; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,
1.5 chapter 116.

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

1.7 Section 1. [116.995] MANDATORY EMISSIONS REPORTING AND
1.8 PERMITTING.

1.9 Subdivision 1. Emissions reporting. (a) By January 1, 2008, the commissioner
1.10 shall adopt rules to require the annual reporting and verification of emissions from
1.11 facilities that generate electricity delivered to and consumed in Minnesota, whether the
1.12 electricity is generated instate or imported from another state, and to monitor and enforce
1.13 compliance with this program.

1.14 (b) The rules must:

1.15 (1) require the monitoring and annual reporting of emissions from emission sources
1.16 beginning with the sources or categories of sources that contribute the most to statewide
1.17 emissions;

1.18 (2) account for emissions sources from all electricity consumed in this state,
1.19 including transmission and distribution line losses from electricity generated within the
1.20 state or imported from outside the state, and apply this requirement to all retail sellers of
1.21 electricity, including load-serving entities and local publicly owned electric utilities;

1.22 (3) ensure rigorous and consistent accounting of emissions, and provide reporting
1.23 tools and formats to ensure collection of necessary data; and

1.24 (4) ensure that emission sources maintain comprehensive records of all reported
1.25 emissions.

2.1 (c) The commissioner shall not require entities that have already developed an
2.2 emission-reporting program to significantly alter their reporting or verification program
2.3 except as necessary to ensure that reporting is complete and verifiable for the purposes
2.4 of compliance with this section.

2.5 Subd. 2. **Environmental review and permits required.** Beginning January 1,
2.6 2008, an outstate facility that currently delivers or proposes to deliver electricity to this
2.7 state shall comply with this state's environmental review and permitting process in order
2.8 to begin construction on either new facilities or modifications to existing facilities.