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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to water; establishing the "Bottled Water Right-to-Know Act"; adding
1.3 labeling requirements for bottled water; proposing coding for new law in
1.4 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 31.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[31.125] BOTTLED WATER LABELING.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Title.** This section may be cited as the "Bottled Water Right-to-Know
1.8 Act."

1.9 Subd. 2. **Definition.** For the purposes of this section, "bottled water" means water
1.10 that is intended for human consumption and that is sealed in bottles or other containers with
1.11 no added ingredients, except that it may contain safe and suitable antimicrobial agents.

1.12 Subd. 3. **Information on label required.** No person shall sell, offer for sale, or
1.13 possess with intent to sell, bottled water unless the following information is printed
1.14 legibly and prominently on its label, an additional label affixed to the container, or on
1.15 a package insert or attachment:

1.16 (1) the source of the bottled water, in compliance with applicable state and federal
1.17 regulations;

1.18 (2) the following statement: "THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION'S
1.19 QUALITY AND TESTING FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTTLED WATER
1.20 IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE ARE GENERALLY LESS RIGOROUS THAN THOSE
1.21 ENFORCED BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR
1.22 PUBLIC TAP WATER."

1.23 Subd. 4. **Bottled water from state sources.** No person shall sell, offer for sale,
1.24 or possess with intent to sell, bottled water containing water obtained from waters of the

2.1 state, as defined in section 103G.005, subdivision 17, unless the following statement is
2.2 printed legibly and prominently on its label, an additional label affixed to the container,
2.3 or on a package insert or attachment: "PACKAGING AND/OR SALE OF WATERS
2.4 OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA BY A PRIVATE PARTY DOES NOT CONVEY
2.5 OWNERSHIP OF WATERS OF THE STATE TO THE PARTY. CONSISTENT WITH
2.6 MINNESOTA LAW, THE STATE COMMISSIONER OF NATURAL RESOURCES
2.7 SHALL ADMINISTER THE USE, ALLOCATION, AND CONTROL OF WATERS OF
2.8 THE STATE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST."

2.9 Subd. 5. **Application.** This section applies to bottled water that was bottled on or
2.10 after July 1, 2009.