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**HOUSE FILE No. 3333**

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

March 11, 2008

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass as Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

March 19, 2008

By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to health; establishing a standard of protection for the risk of cancer;  
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

1.5 Section 1. [144.673] CANCER RISK ASSESSMENT.

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms  
1.7 have the meanings given them.

1.8 (b) "Known carcinogen" means a substance categorized as a known human  
1.9 carcinogen by at least one of the following agencies: United States Environmental  
1.10 Protection Agency; United States Department of Health and Human Services, National  
1.11 Toxicology Program; or World Health Organization International Agency for Research  
1.12 on Cancer.

1.13 (c) "Probable carcinogen" means a substance categorized as a probable human  
1.14 carcinogen or a likely human carcinogen by at least one of the following agencies: United  
1.15 States Environmental Protection Agency; United States Department of Health and Human  
1.16 Services, National Toxicology Program; or World Health Organization International  
1.17 Agency for Research on Cancer.

1.18 Subd. 2. **Risk level.** The commissioner of health shall assess the risk of human  
1.19 cancer from known and probable carcinogens in the air, water, or soil using the following  
1.20 formula: a lifetime risk level of 10<sup>-6</sup>, so that no more than one out of every 1,000,000  
1.21 people exposed to a substance or chemical over a lifetime would be estimated to develop  
1.22 cancer from that exposure.

1.23 Subd. 3. **Implementation.** The risk level established in this section shall apply to  
1.24 permits and licenses issued on or after August 1, 2009. Any permits or licenses issued

2.1 prior to August 1, 2009, that are affected by this section, shall remain valid until the permit  
2.2 or license is renewed, revised, or reissued.

2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2008.