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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to the legislature; providing for reduced commuting by legislative
1.3 employees to help reduce carbon emissions; proposing coding for new law in
1.4 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 3.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[3.091] REDUCED CARBON FOOTPRINT; TELECOMMUTING.**

1.7 To reduce the carbon footprint associated with travel to work by legislative
1.8 employees, each legislative appointing authority must offer each legislative employee:

1.9 (1) the option to telecommute from home for up to 20 percent of the work days during
1.10 the portion of the year that the legislature is not meeting in a regular or special session; or

1.11 (2) the option to work four ten-hour days each week, or a similar schedule that will
1.12 reduce commuting to work by 20 percent, during the portion of the year that the legislature
1.13 is not meeting in a regular or special session.

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