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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight

February 19, 2009

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass

Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to waters; modifying local match requirements for certain grants;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103B.3369, subdivision 5.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103B.3369, subdivision 5, is amended to
1.6 read:

1.7 Subd. 5. **Financial assistance.** A base grant may be awarded to a county that ~~levies~~
1.8 provides a match utilizing a water implementation tax or other local source. A water
1.9 implementation tax that a county intends to use as a match to the base grant must be levied
1.10 at a rate, which shall be determined by the board. The minimum amount of the water
1.11 implementation tax shall be a tax rate times the adjusted net tax capacity of the county for
1.12 the preceding year. The rate shall be the rate, rounded to the nearest .001 of a percent,
1.13 that, when applied to the adjusted net tax capacity for all counties, raises the amount of
1.14 \$1,500,000. The base grant will be in an amount equal to \$37,500 less the amount raised
1.15 by ~~that levy~~ the local match. If the amount necessary to implement the local water plan for
1.16 the county is less than \$37,500, the amount of the base grant shall be the amount that,
1.17 when added to the ~~levy~~ match amount, equals the amount required to implement the plan.
1.18 For counties where the tax rate generates an amount equal to or greater than \$18,750, the
1.19 base grant shall be in an amount equal to \$18,750.