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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; modifying information requirements for fluorescent and
1.3 high-intensity discharge lamps; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section
1.4 116.92, subdivision 7a.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 116.92, subdivision 7a, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 7a. **Fluorescent and high-intensity discharge lamps; residential**
1.8 **applications.** (a) Any information regarding fluorescent and high-intensity discharge
1.9 lamps containing mercury that is sent by a utility to a customer, present on a utility's Web
1.10 site, or contained in a utility's print, radio, or video advertisement, must:

1.11 ~~(1) state that the lamps contain mercury;~~
1.12 ~~(2) state that mercury is harmful to the environment;~~
1.13 ~~(3) state that placing the lamps in garbage is illegal; and that lamps must be recycled.~~
1.14 ~~(4) provide a toll-free telephone number or Web site that customers can access to~~
1.15 ~~learn how to lawfully dispose of the lamps.~~

1.16 (b) The information under paragraph (a) must be:

1.17 (1) provided in a minimum of 12-point point type in print or online media no less
1.18 than one point type below the point type used in the body of the copy type; and

1.19 (2) provided in a manner that the ordinary consumer will understand that fluorescent
1.20 and high-intensity discharge lamps ~~contain mercury and~~ must not be placed in garbage
1.21 in Minnesota.

1.22 (c) A television or radio advertisement regarding fluorescent and high-intensity
1.23 discharge lamps containing mercury must prominently convey the information that the
1.24 lamps ~~contain mercury and~~ must be recycled.