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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to natural resources; modifying Mississippi River management plan;
1.3 providing for certain minimum standards for future critical area ordinance
1.4 approval; providing for certain classifications within the Mississippi River
1.5 corridor critical area.

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

1.7 Section 1. **MISSISSIPPI RIVER MANAGEMENT PLAN; CRITICAL AREA**
1.8 **ADMINISTRATION.**

1.9 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, parts 6105.0800 to 6105.0960, or other law to
1.10 the contrary, those portions of the Mississippi River within the boundaries of the cities
1.11 of Dayton and Ramsey are exempt from designation as a component of the Minnesota
1.12 wild, scenic, and recreational rivers system.

1.13 (b) The zoning standards in effect in the cities of Dayton and Ramsey on March 1,
1.14 2012, shall become the minimum standards for future critical area ordinance approval by
1.15 the commissioner of natural resources, but the commissioner may, by written approval,
1.16 allow varied standards, provided the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 116G.15, are
1.17 satisfied.

1.18 (c) For purposes of land use districts within the Mississippi River corridor critical
1.19 area under Minnesota Statutes, section 116G.15, the commissioner of natural resources
1.20 shall classify the city of Dayton as rural open space according to the governor's Executive
1.21 Order No. 79-19, published in the State Register on March 12, 1979.