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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Industry, Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to the State Building Code; exempting single-family homes from the

1.3 window fall prevention device code; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section

1.4 326B.106, subdivision 7.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 326B.106, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 7. **Window fall prevention device code.** The commissioner of labor and industry

1.8 shall adopt rules for window fall prevention devices as part of the State Building Code.

1.9 Window fall prevention devices include, but are not limited to, safety screens, hardware,

1.10 guards, and other devices that comply with the standards established by the commissioner

1.11 of labor and industry. The rules shall require compliance with standards for window fall

1.12 prevention devices developed by ASTM International, contained in the International Building

1.13 Code as the model language with amendments deemed necessary to coordinate with the

1.14 other adopted building codes in Minnesota. The rules shall establish a scope that includes

1.15 the applicable building occupancies, excluding single-family homes, and the types, locations,

1.16 and sizes of windows that will require the installation of fall devices.