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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1547

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; creating Bridge Coatings Standards Advisory Group.
1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.4 Section 1. BRIDGE COATINGS STANDARDS ADVISORY GROUP.

1.5 (a) The commissioner of transportation shall establish and staff an 11-member
1.6 advisory committee named the Bridge Coatings Standards Advisory Group to review:

1.7 (1) current requirements and qualifications for contractors performing the removal
1.8 or field application of paint systems on bridges, or both;

1.9 (2) standards, qualifications, and training requirements of coatings applicators who
1.10 perform blast cleaning and spray painting on bridge metal surfaces;

1.11 (3) contractor requirements and procedures regarding the handling and disposal of
1.12 paint and chemicals used in the removal or field application of paint systems, or both; and

1.13 (4) requirements and procedures regarding applicator safety on bridge projects.

1.14 (b) The advisory group shall have a minimum of five meetings. The commissioner
1.15 shall report to the senate and house of representatives chairs and ranking minority
1.16 members of the legislative committees and divisions with primary jurisdiction over
1.17 transportation policy and finance by October 1, 2013, summarizing advisory committee
1.18 activities and identifying any changes to statute, rule, or department special provisions
1.19 needed to address the appropriate criteria for coatings contractor and applicator standards,
1.20 qualifications, certifications, and training requirements. The senate majority leader and the
1.21 speaker of the house shall each appoint five industry stakeholder members to the advisory
1.22 group. The commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall call the first meeting to
1.23 order and serve as advisory committee chair.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment
2.2 and expires March 15, 2014.