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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. **337**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Policy  
02/20/2013 Adoption of Report: Pass as Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to taxation; property; providing that certain personal property of electric  
1.3 generation facilities is exempt; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section  
1.4 272.02, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 98. **Electric generation facility; personal property.** (a) Notwithstanding  
1.9 subdivision 9, clause (a), and section 453.54, subdivision 20, attached machinery and  
1.10 other personal property which is part of an electric generation facility that exceeds five  
1.11 megawatts of installed capacity and meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt.

1.12 At the time of construction, the facility must be:

1.13 (1) designed to utilize natural gas as a primary fuel;

1.14 (2) owned and operated by a municipal power agency as defined in section 453.52,  
1.15 subdivision 8;

1.16 (3) designed to utilize reciprocating engines paired with generators to produce  
1.17 electrical power;

1.18 (4) located within the service territory of a municipal power agency's electrical  
1.19 municipal utility that serves load exclusively in a metropolitan county as defined in  
1.20 section 473.121, subdivision 4; and

1.21 (5) designed to connect directly with a municipality's substation.

1.22 (b) Construction of the facility must be commenced after June 1, 2013, and before  
1.23 June 1, 2017. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission

2.1 lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the  
2.2 property or the facility.

2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for assessment year 2013, taxes  
2.4 payable in 2014, and thereafter.