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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3886

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Reform

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to water; establishing Human Right to Water Act; proposing coding for
1.3 new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103A.

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

1.5 Section 1. 103A.215] RIGHT TO WATER POLICY.

1.6 (a) It is the policy of the state that every human being has the right to safe, clean,
1.7 affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary
1.8 purposes.

1.9 (b) All state agencies, departments, and boards must consider this state policy when
1.10 revising, adopting, or establishing policies, regulations, and grant criteria when those
1.11 policies, regulations, and criteria are pertinent to the uses of water described in this section.

1.12 (c) This section does not expand any obligation of the state to provide water or to
1.13 require the expenditure of additional resources to develop water infrastructure beyond
1.14 the obligations that may exist pursuant to paragraph (b).

1.15 (d) The implementation of this section does not infringe on the rights or
1.16 responsibilities of a public water system.

1.17 Sec. 2. CITATION.

1.18 Section 1 may be known and cited as the "Human Right to Water Act."