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State of Minnesota HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

H. F. No. 3889

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; appropriating money for environment; modifying
1.3 certain account provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 473.845,
1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

1.7 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are added to the
1.8 appropriations in Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 4, or appropriated to the
1.9 agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the
1.10 general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal year indicated for
1.11 each purpose. The figures "2016" and "2017" used in this article mean that the addition
1.12 to the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30,
1.13 2016, or June 30, 2017, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2016. "The second
1.14 year" is fiscal year 2017. Appropriations for fiscal year 2016 are effective the day
1.15 following final enactment.

Table with 2 columns: 2016, 2017. Header: APPROPRIATIONS Available for the Year Ending June 30

1.20 Sec. 2. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

Table with 2 columns: 2016, 2017. Row 1: Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation \$ 143,000 \$ 1,846,000. Row 2: Subd. 2. Water -0- 432,000

1.23 \$324,000 the second year is to meet the
1.24 increased demand for technical assistance

2.1 and review of municipal water infrastructure  
 2.2 projects that will be generated by increased  
 2.3 grant funding through the Public Facilities  
 2.4 Authority.

2.5 \$108,000 the second year is to manage a  
 2.6 rulemaking process to enhance equity in the  
 2.7 water program permit fee structure.

2.8 Subd. 3. **Land** -0- 125,000

2.9 \$125,000 the second year is to manage  
 2.10 contaminated sediment projects at multiple  
 2.11 sites identified in the St. Louis River  
 2.12 remedial action plan to restore water quality  
 2.13 in the St. Louis River area of concern. This  
 2.14 amount is added to the base for fiscal years  
 2.15 2018, 2019, and 2020 only.

2.16 Subd. 4. **Administrative Services** 143,000 1,289,000

2.17 \$143,000 the first year and \$1,289,000  
 2.18 the second year are for legal support costs  
 2.19 related to the agency's environmental review  
 2.20 and permitting decisions on the PolyMet  
 2.21 NorthMet project. This is a onetime  
 2.22 appropriation and is available until spent.

2.23 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 473.845, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.24 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The metropolitan landfill contingency action trust  
 2.25 account is an expendable trust account in the remediation fund. The account consists  
 2.26 of revenue deposited in the account under section 473.843, subdivision 2, clause (2);  
 2.27 amounts recovered under subdivision 7; and interest earned on investment of money in  
 2.28 the account. The account must be managed to maximize long-term gain through the  
 2.29 State Board of Investment.