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H. F. No. **1113**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to water; modifying membership of Clean Water Council; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.30, subdivisions 2, 4.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **Membership; appointment.** (a) The commissioners of natural resources,
1.7 agriculture, health, and the Pollution Control Agency, and the executive director of the
1.8 Board of Water and Soil Resources shall each appoint one person from their respective
1.9 agency to serve as a nonvoting member of the council. ~~Two members of the house of~~
1.10 ~~representatives, including one member from the majority party and one member from the~~
1.11 ~~minority party, appointed by the speaker and two senators, including one member from~~
1.12 ~~the majority party and one member from the minority party, appointed according to the~~
1.13 ~~rules of the senate shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority as nonvoting~~
1.14 ~~members of the council.~~ Agency and legislative members appointed under this paragraph
1.15 serve as nonvoting members of the council.

1.16 (b) ~~Nineteen~~ Twenty voting members of the council shall be appointed by the
1.17 governor as follows:

- 1.18 (1) ~~two members representing statewide farm organizations~~ each congressional
1.19 district; and
1.20 (2) ~~two~~ four at-large members representing ~~business organizations;~~
1.21 (3) ~~two members representing environmental organizations;~~
1.22 (4) ~~one member representing soil and water conservation districts;~~
1.23 (5) ~~one member representing watershed districts;~~

2.1 ~~(6) one member representing nonprofit organizations focused on improvement of~~
 2.2 ~~Minnesota lakes or streams;~~

2.3 ~~(7) two members representing organizations of county governments, one member~~
 2.4 ~~representing the interests of rural counties and one member representing the interests of~~
 2.5 ~~counties in the seven-county metropolitan area;~~

2.6 ~~(8) two members representing organizations of city governments;~~

2.7 ~~(9) one member representing the Metropolitan Council established under section~~
 2.8 ~~473.123;~~

2.9 ~~(10) one member representing township officers;~~

2.10 ~~(11) one member representing the interests of tribal governments;~~

2.11 ~~(12) one member representing statewide hunting organizations;~~

2.12 ~~(13) one member representing the University of Minnesota or a Minnesota state~~
 2.13 ~~university; and~~

2.14 ~~(14) one member representing statewide fishing organizations.~~

2.15 Members appointed under this paragraph must not be registered lobbyists or legislators.

2.16 In making appointments, the governor must attempt to provide for geographic balance.

2.17 The members of the council appointed by the governor are subject to the advice and
 2.18 consent of the senate.

2.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2017.

2.20 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.30, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

2.21 Subd. 4. **Terms; compensation; removal.** The terms of members representing the
 2.22 state agencies ~~and the Metropolitan Council~~ are four years and are coterminous with the
 2.23 governor. The terms of other ~~nonlegislative~~ members of the council ~~shall be as provided~~
 2.24 ~~in section 15.059, subdivision 2~~ are four years. Members may serve until their successors
 2.25 are appointed and qualify. Compensation and removal of ~~nonlegislative~~ council members
 2.26 is as provided in section 15.059, subdivisions 3 and 4. ~~Compensation of legislative~~
 2.27 ~~members is as determined by the appointing authority. The Pollution Control Agency may~~
 2.28 ~~reimburse legislative members for expenses.~~ A vacancy on the council may be filled by
 2.29 the appointing authority provided in subdivision 1 for the remainder of the unexpired term.

2.30 Sec. 3. **INITIAL APPOINTMENTS.**

2.31 Beginning January 1, 2017, members of the Clean Water Council serve four-year
 2.32 terms and shall be initially appointed according to the following schedule of terms:

3.1 (1) one member from each congressional district appointed by the governor for a
3.2 term ending the first Monday in January 2019;

3.3 (2) one member from each congressional district appointed by the governor for a
3.4 term ending the first Monday in January 2021;

3.5 (3) two at-large members appointed by the governor for a term ending the first
3.6 Monday in January 2019; and

3.7 (4) two at-large members appointed by the governor for a term ending the first
3.8 Monday in January 2021.