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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 4180

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division
04/14/2020 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; prohibiting using perchloroethylene as dry cleaning
1.3 solvent; modifying prior appropriations; appropriating money; amending Laws
1.4 2019, First Special Session chapter 4, article 1, section 2, subdivision 10; proposing
1.5 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

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

1.7 Section 1. 325E.381 PERCHLOROETHYLENE PROHIBITION.

1.8 On or after January 1, 2022, using perchloroethylene as a dry cleaning solvent is
1.9 prohibited.

1.10 Sec. 2. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 4, article 1, section 2, subdivision 10, is
1.11 amended to read:

1.12 Subd. 10. **Transfers**

1.13 (a) The commissioner must transfer up to
1.14 \$44,000,000 from the environmental fund to
1.15 the remediation fund for purposes of the
1.16 remediation fund under Minnesota Statutes,
1.17 section 116.155, subdivision 2.

1.18 (b) \$600,000 the first year is transferred from
1.19 the remediation fund to the dry cleaner
1.20 environmental response and reimbursement
1.21 account for purposes of Minnesota Statutes,
1.22 section 115B.49, with reimbursement

2.1 prioritized to persons who meet the definition  
2.2 in Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.48,  
2.3 subdivision 10, clause (2), and who have made  
2.4 a request to the commissioner, as required  
2.5 under Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.50,  
2.6 subdivision 2.

2.7 (c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,  
2.8 section 115B.49, subdivision 3, paragraph (a),  
2.9 \$600,000 the first year is transferred from the  
2.10 remediation fund to the dry cleaner  
2.11 environmental response and reimbursement  
2.12 account for the commissioner for preparing to  
2.13 prepare a report to the chairs and ranking  
2.14 minority members of the legislative  
2.15 committees and divisions with jurisdiction  
2.16 over environment and natural resources  
2.17 finance that includes an assessment of the  
2.18 possibility of recovering environmental  
2.19 response costs from insurance held by dry  
2.20 cleaning facilities. The report must be  
2.21 submitted by January 15, 2021.

2.22 (d) \$600,000 the second year is transferred  
2.23 from the remediation fund to the dry cleaner  
2.24 environmental response and reimbursement  
2.25 account for purposes of Minnesota Statutes,  
2.26 section 115B.49, ~~if legislation is enacted in~~  
2.27 ~~the 2020 legislative session to address the~~  
2.28 ~~insolvency of the dry cleaner environmental~~  
2.29 ~~response and reimbursement account.~~

2.30 **Sec. 3. APPROPRIATION; COST-SHARE PROGRAM FOR DRY CLEANERS.**

2.31 \$400,000 in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the environmental fund to the  
2.32 commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency for a cost-share program to reimburse owners  
2.33 or operators of dry cleaning facilities for the costs of transitioning to using solvents that are  
2.34 technically viable and environmentally preferred alternatives to perchloroethylene. The

- 3.1 commissioner must reimburse up to 75 percent of an owner's or operator's transition expenses.
- 3.2 This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2022.