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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor and Industry Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to occupational health and safety; requiring the commissioner of labor  
1.3 and industry to adopt rules related to acceptable blood lead levels for workers.

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

1.5 Section 1. **RULEMAKING; ACCEPTABLE BLOOD LEAD LEVELS FOR**  
1.6 **WORKERS.**

1.7 The commissioner of labor and industry, in consultation with the commissioner of health,  
1.8 shall adopt rules to:

1.9 (1) lower the acceptable blood lead levels above which require mandatory removal of  
1.10 workers from the lead exposure; and

1.11 (2) lower the blood lead levels required before a worker is allowed to return to work.  
1.12 The thresholds established must be based on the most recent public health information on  
1.13 the safety of lead exposure.