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Introduction and first reading
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OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to the Metropolitan Council; authorizing the Metropolitan Council to
1.3 finance private infrastructure improvements to reduce inflow and infiltration in
1.4 the regional wastewater collection system; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018,
1.5 sections 473.504, by adding a subdivision; 473.517, subdivision 1.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 473.504, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.8 to read:

1.9 Subd. 13. **Inflow and infiltration grants and loans.** The council may provide grants
1.10 and loans to home rule charter and statutory cities in the metropolitan area for the purposes
1.11 of city inflow and infiltration prevention programs under section 471.342. The council may
1.12 use municipal wastewater charges it collects under section 473.517 or proceeds of bonds
1.13 issued under section 473.541 for the purposes of making the grants and loans. The council
1.14 must establish procedures and guidelines for making the grants and loans.

1.15 **APPLICATION.** This section applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota,
1.16 Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

1.17 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 473.517, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.18 Subdivision 1. **Allocation method.** Except as provided in subdivision 3, the estimated
1.19 costs of operation, maintenance, and debt service of the metropolitan disposal system to be
1.20 paid by the council in each fiscal year, and the costs of acquisition and betterment of the
1.21 system which are to be paid during the year from funds other than bond proceeds, including
1.22 all expenses incurred by the council pursuant to sections 473.501 to 473.545, are referred
1.23 to in this section as current costs, and shall be allocated among and paid by all local

2.1 government units which will discharge sewage, directly or indirectly, into the metropolitan
2.2 disposal system during the budget year according to an allocation method determined by
2.3 the council. The allocated costs may include an amount for a reserve or contingency fund
2.4 and an amount for cash flow management. The cash flow management fund so established
2.5 must not exceed five percent of the council's total wastewater services operating budget. In
2.6 addition, the allocated costs may include an amount for the purposes of section 473.504,
2.7 subdivision 13, grants and loans to cities for city inflow and infiltration prevention programs.

2.8 **APPLICATION.** This section applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota,
2.9 Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.