

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to natural resources; appropriating money for a grant to the Minnehaha
1.3 Watershed District for aquatic invasive species activities.

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

1.5 Section 1. **MINNEHAHA CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT AQUATIC**
1.6 **INVASIVE SPECIES GRANT.**

1.7 \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2015 is appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund to
1.8 the commissioner of natural resources for a grant to the Minnehaha Creek Watershed
1.9 District to protect lakes, rivers, and streams in the district from aquatic invasive species.

1.10 Of this amount:

1.11 (1) \$2,790,000 is for prevention efforts, including water-related equipment operator
1.12 and inspector education and training, public water access site improvements, technology
1.13 testing, off-site inspection programs and a self-certification program;

1.14 (2) \$410,000 is for containment efforts, including rapid response efforts and
1.15 enhanced monitoring at high-risk water bodies; and

1.16 (3) \$1,800,000 is for control efforts, including aquatic invasive species research,
1.17 volunteer monitoring programs, and private sector engagement.