

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2778 as follows:

1.2 Page 1, delete section 1, and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116P.05, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.4 Subdivision 1. **Membership.** (a) A Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota
1.5 Resources of ~~17~~ 19 members is created in the legislative branch, consisting of ~~the chairs of~~
1.6 ~~the house of representatives and senate committees on environment and natural resources~~
1.7 ~~finance or designees appointed for the terms of the chairs, four members of the senate~~
1.8 ~~appointed by the Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on Rules and~~
1.9 ~~Administration, and four members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker~~
1.10 ten legislative members and nine citizen members.

1.11 ~~(b) At least two members from the senate and two members from the house of~~
1.12 ~~representatives must be from the minority caucus. Members are entitled to reimbursement~~
1.13 ~~for per diem expenses plus travel expenses incurred in the services of the commission.~~

1.14 (b) The legislative members of the commission consist of:

1.15 (1) three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house,
1.16 including the chair of the environment and natural resources finance committee or the chair's
1.17 designee;

1.18 (2) three members of the senate appointed by the senate majority leader, including the
1.19 chair of the environment and natural resources finance committee or the chair's designee;

1.20 (3) two members of the house of representatives appointed by the house minority leader;
1.21 and

1.22 (4) two members of the senate appointed by the senate minority leader.

1.23 ~~(c) Seven citizens are~~ The citizen members of the commission, five consist of:

- 2.1 (1) four members appointed by the governor, ~~one~~;
- 2.2 (2) two appointed by the Senate Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on
- 2.3 Rules and Administration, ~~and~~
- 2.4 (3) two appointed by the speaker of the house. ~~The~~; and
- 2.5 (4) one member appointed by the governor as recommended by the Tribal government
- 2.6 representatives of the Indian Affairs Council.

2.7 ~~(d) A citizen members are selected and recommended to the appointing authorities~~

2.8 ~~according to subdivision 1a and~~ member must:

2.9 (1) have experience or expertise in the science, policy, or practice of the protection,

2.10 conservation, preservation, and enhancement of the state's air, water, land, fish, wildlife,

2.11 and other natural resources;

2.12 (2) have strong knowledge in the state's environment and natural resource issues around

2.13 the state; ~~and~~

2.14 (3) have demonstrated ability to work in a collaborative environment; and

2.15 (4) not be a registered lobbyist.

2.16 ~~(d)~~ (e) Members ~~shall~~ must develop procedures to elect a chair that rotates between

2.17 legislative and citizen members each meeting. A citizen member, a senate member, and a

2.18 house of representatives member shall serve as chairs. The citizen members, senate members,

2.19 and house of representatives members must select their respective chairs. The chair ~~shall~~

2.20 must preside and convene meetings as often as necessary to conduct duties prescribed by

2.21 this chapter.

2.22 ~~(e)~~ (f) Appointed legislative members ~~shall~~ serve on the commission for two-year terms,

2.23 beginning in January of each odd-numbered year and continuing through the end of December

2.24 of the next even-numbered year. Appointed citizen members ~~shall~~ serve four-year terms,

2.25 beginning in January of the first year and continuing through the end of December of the

2.26 final year. Citizen and legislative members continue to serve until their successors are

2.27 appointed.

2.28 ~~(f)~~ (g) A citizen member may be removed by an appointing authority for cause. Vacancies

2.29 occurring on the commission ~~shall~~ do not affect the authority of the remaining members of

2.30 the commission to carry out their duties, and vacancies ~~shall~~ must be filled for the remainder

2.31 of the term in the same manner under paragraphs (a) to (c).

3.1 ~~(g)~~ (h) Legislative members are entitled to reimbursement for per diem expenses plus
3.2 travel expenses incurred in the services of the commission. Citizen members are entitled to
3.3 per diem and reimbursement for expenses incurred in the services of the commission, as
3.4 provided in section 15.059, subdivision 3, except that a citizen member may be compensated
3.5 at the rate of up to \$125 a day.

3.6 ~~(h) The governor's appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the senate.~~

3.7 (i) A citizen member may serve no more than eight years, except as necessary to fill a
3.8 vacancy. A citizen member may not serve more than ten years if serving additional time to
3.9 fill a vacancy."

3.10 Page 3, delete section 2, and insert:

3.11 "Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 116P.05, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

3.12 Subd. 1a. **Citizen selection committee.** (a) The governor ~~shall~~ must appoint a Trust
3.13 Fund Citizen Selection Committee of five members who come from different regions of
3.14 the state and who have knowledge and experience of state environment and natural resource
3.15 issues to provide recommendations for appointments under subdivision 1, paragraph (c),
3.16 clause (1).

3.17 (b) The duties of the Trust Fund Citizen Selection Committee ~~shall be~~ are to:

3.18 (1) identify citizen candidates to be members of the commission as part of the open
3.19 appointments process under section 15.0597;

3.20 (2) request and review citizen candidate applications to be members of the commission;
3.21 and

3.22 (3) interview the citizen candidates and recommend an adequate pool of candidates to
3.23 be selected for commission membership by the governor, ~~the senate, and the house of~~
3.24 ~~representatives.~~

3.25 (c) Members serve three-year terms and are entitled to travel expenses incurred to fulfill
3.26 their duties under this subdivision as provided in section 15.059, subdivision 6 the per diem
3.27 and reimbursement for expenses incurred in the services of the committee, as provided in
3.28 section 15.059, subdivision 3, except that a citizen selection committee member may be
3.29 compensated at the rate of up to \$125 a day.

3.30 (d) A member appointed under this subdivision may not be a registered lobbyist."