

1.1 ..... moves to amend H.F. No. 248 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.071, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.4 to read:

1.5 Subd. 3a. **Public informational meeting.** (a) The commissioner, before finalizing a  
1.6 stipulation agreement or consent decree with a facility in which the agency is seeking a  
1.7 settlement amount greater than \$25,000, must hold a public informational meeting at a  
1.8 convenient time at a location near the facility to:

1.9 (1) notwithstanding section 13.39, subdivision 2, describe the amount, frequency,  
1.10 duration, and chemical nature of the pollution released or emitted by the facility and the  
1.11 risks to public health and the environment from that exposure; and

1.12 (2) allow members of the public, including those persons potentially exposed to pollution  
1.13 released or emitted from the facility, to make the agency aware of:

1.14 (i) interactions between the facility and the public regarding the facility's operations;

1.15 (ii) operational problems or incidents that have occurred at the facility; and

1.16 (iii) suggestions regarding supplemental environmental projects that the public may  
1.17 prefer as part of a stipulation agreement or consent decree between the facility and the  
1.18 agency.

1.19 (b) For the purposes of this section, "supplemental environmental project" means a  
1.20 project that benefits the environment or public health that a regulated facility agrees to  
1.21 undertake as part of a settlement with respect to an enforcement action taken by the agency  
1.22 to resolve noncompliance.

1.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment."

2.1 Amend the title accordingly