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Overview

Appropriates money for a mesothelioma study.

- 1 Appropriation.** Appropriates \$4.9 million from the general fund to the University of Minnesota to lead a study of workers' health. The study must be evidence-based, industry specific, and include a study of worker's lung health. The university, in partnership with the Departments of Health and Natural Resources, the Pollution Control Agency, other private and public organizations and agencies, and affected groups, must begin the study in 2008 and complete it no later than 2013. The university and the study partners must report to the legislature each year on preliminary findings and recommendations.
- 2 Transfer.** Directs the commissioner of finance to transfer \$4.9 million in assets of the assigned risk plan to the general fund by June 30, 2008.
- 3 Effective date.** Effective the day following final enactment.