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Section

- 1** **Advisory council on development and regulation of consumer products.** Creates a 15 voting member advisory council on consumer products. The voting members include:
 - five scientists; one appointed by the governor, two appointed by the Senate, and two appointed by the House;
 - five business representatives; one appointed by the governor, two appointed by the Senate, and two appointed by the House;
 - five representatives of environmental health organizations; one appointed by the governor, two appointed by the Senate, and two appointed by the House.

In addition, the commissioners of pollution control, health, and employment and economic development shall serve as non-voting members of the council. Members shall serve four-year terms. The council is charged with submitting recommendations by December 15 each year on legislation related to the regulation of chemicals or chemical compounds in products manufactured or sold in Minnesota.
- 2** **Definitions.** Provides definitions of terms used in the bill.
- 3** **Chemicals in children's products.** Requires the department to monitor state and federal regulatory and non-regulatory mechanisms and proposals to mitigate risk and prevent exposure to chemicals in children's products and report each September 1, beginning in 2010, to the advisory council. The council must review the reports and make legislative recommendations by December 15 each year beginning in 2011.
- 4** **Comprehensive framework.** Directs the advisory council to develop a comprehensive, integrated framework for promotion of chemistry and chemical engineering involved in the design of products to reduce or eliminate health or environmental risks. Provides for reporting and specifies elements to be included in the framework.

