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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill provides that an individual who experiences weight gain or obesity as a result of the long-term consumption of a food or nonalcoholic beverage may not sue the entities associated with its production or delivery to the individual.

1 **Personal Responsibility in Food Consumption Act.**

Subd. 1. Title. Provides that the bill is titled the "Personal Responsibility in Food Consumption Act."

Subd. 2. Definitions. Provides definitions for certain phrases and terms used in the bill.

Subd. 3. Immunity. Establishes the substantive immunity provision. Specified entities associated with the production or delivery of a food or nonalcoholic beverage are immune from civil liability based on an individual's weight gain, obesity, or related health condition resulting from the long-term purchase or consumption of the food or beverage.

Subd. 4. Exceptions. Provides that certain violations of other federal or state laws or rules that proximately cause an injury are not subject to the immunity provision contained in subdivision 3.

2 **Effective date.** Provides that the bill is effective the day following final enactment and applies to actions filed by any party on or after that date.