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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill would modify the mandatory elements of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's (MDA) pesticide education and training program and require MDA to update pesticide applicator training and testing materials accordingly.

#### Section

- 1 Pesticide education and training.** Modifies the mandatory components of MDA's pesticide applicator education and training program. Requires MDA to consult with MnSCU and other education institutions, in addition to the University of Minnesota. Requires that education and training programs address several additional or modified topics. Specifies that education planning committees must include applicators. Expands the requirement that training manuals and examinations discuss groundwater impacts to include surface water as well.
- 2 Update required; report.** Requires MDA to update pesticide applicator training materials accordingly by December 31, 2017. Requires MDA to report the agency's progress and additional plans by January 15, 2015.