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Overview

This bill contains a number of provisions being recommended by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

Section

- 1 Expenditures; accountability.** Amends § 114D.50, subd. 4. Allows money from the clean water fund to be used to leverage federal funds through project partnership agreements.
- 2 Duties of the agency.** Amends § 115A.1320, subd. 1. Technical.
- 3 Report to the legislature.** Amends § 115B.20, subd. 6. Changes the legislative report requirement for certain activities funded from the remediation fund from annual to biennial.
- 4 Duties.** Amends § 115B.28, subd. 1. Changes the legislative report requirement for certain activities funded from the remediation fund from annual to biennial.
- 5 Corrective action.** Amends § 115C.02, subd. 4. Modifies the definition of corrective action for purposes of the Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Act to include institutional controls (defined in the next section).
- 6 Institutional controls.** Adds § 115C.02, subd. 6b. Defines “institutional controls” for purposes of the Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Act.
- 7 Expenditures.** Amends § 115C.08, subd. 4. Allows the agency to acquire interests in real property, including easements and environmental covenants, with funds from the petroleum tank fund. Permits the agency to acquire an easement by condemnation under certain circumstances.

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- 8** **Disposition of property acquired for corrective action.** Amends § 115C.08, subd. 6. Allows the commissioner to transfer land acquired for a corrective action that is no longer needed to be sold or held by another state agency, or dispose of it according to federal law, if applicable. Allows the commissioner to transfer property acquired for a corrective action to another state agency, political subdivision, or special district that agrees to accept the property and allows the commissioner to set the terms and conditions for the transfer. Requires proceeds from sales of land under this subdivision to be deposited in the petroleum tank fund or other appropriate fund.
- 9** **Toxic pollution prevention evaluation report.** Amends § 115D.10. Technical.
- 10** **Affidavit.** Amends § 116.48, subd. 6. Allows the commissioner to require owners of property to file an affidavit with the county as part of a corrective action resulting from a petroleum tank release that details the owners name, tank location, tank description, description of any known tank release, and any restrictions on the property as a result of a tank release. States that failure to record an affidavit does not affect the transfer of ownership of the property.
- 11** **Report to the legislature.** Amends § 473.846. Eliminates a legislative report requirement on the status and spending from the metropolitan landfill contingency action trust account.
- 12** **Repealer.** Repeals: Minnesota Rules, chapter 7021 (acid disposition standards); Minnesota Rules parts 9210.0300 to 9210.0380 (solid waste processing facility demonstration program); and Minnesota Rules, part 9220.0530 (waste tire transportation identification requirements).