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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill would repeal Minnesota Statutes, chapter 471A, which was enacted in 1986 and authorizes a home rule charter or statutory city, county, sanitary district, or other governmental subdivision or public corporation, including the Metropolitan Council to privatize "capital intensive public services." These are services for the prevention, control, and abatement of water pollution through wastewater treatment facilities, and the furnishing of potable water. Capital intensive public services may be limited (1) to the design and construction, or (2) to the operation and maintenance, by the private vendor of related facilities. Capital intensive public services do not include the furnishing of heating or cooling energy.

### Section

- 1** **Capital cost component grant.** Amends § 116.18, subd. 3b. Technical.
- 2** **Project.** Amends § 469.153, subd. 2. Technical.
- 3** **Repealer.** Repeals § 13.202, subd. 10 (data practices provision no longer needed due to repeal of chapter 471A); § 115.58 (permit provision for sewage system discharges no longer needed due to repeal of chapter 471A); § 272.02 (property tax exemption no longer needed due to repeal of chapter 471A); and chapter 471A (privatization of capital intensive public services (water and wastewater treatment systems)).