## House Research

## - Bill Summary :

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## Overview

Allows the city of Two Harbors, if approved by the voters at a general election, to increase its existing ½ cent local sales tax by an additional ½ cent to pay for up to \$30 million in city water, sewer and related public infrastructure costs.

Effective the day after Two Harbors files the required notice with the secretary of state.

## **Section**

- 1 Sales and use taxes. Allows the city of Two Harbors to increase its existing ½ cent local sales tax by an additional ½ cent if approved by the voters at a general election held by a certain unspecified date.
- **Use of revenues.** Requires the city to use revenues resulting from the increased tax rate for 2 capital and administrative costs of water and sewer projects and related costs including property acquisition, and related engineering and construction costs.
- 3 **Bonding authority.** Allows the city to issue up to \$30 million in bonds for the new projects listed in section 2 based on the vote for the sales tax increase.
- 4 **Termination of taxes.** Provides that the extra ½ cent sales tax expires at the earlier of 25 years or when revenues are sufficient to pay for the bonds. The termination date of the existing ½ cent sales tax is not changed.