

1.1 **Senator Ingebrigtsen from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources**
1.2 **Finance, to which was re-referred**

1.3 **S.F. No. 4131:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; proposing an amendment
1.4 to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 14; providing for the renewal of the
1.5 environment and natural resources trust fund; making changes to the Legislative-Citizen
1.6 Commission on Minnesota Resources; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 116P.05,
1.7 subdivision 1; 349A.08, subdivision 5.

1.8 Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

1.9 Page 2, after line 2, insert:

1.10 "**Sec. 2. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

1.11 An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment
1.12 is adopted, a section shall be added to article XI, to read:

1.13 Sec. 16. **Water improvement fund.** A water improvement fund is created in the state
1.14 treasury. The assets of the fund shall be appropriated by law for the public purpose of
1.15 construction, repair, and improvement of public water systems and related facilities. Not
1.16 less than 50 percent of the net proceeds from any state-operated lottery must be credited to
1.17 the water improvement fund until the year 2050."

1.18 Page 2, line 4, delete "amendment" and insert "amendments"

1.19 Page 2, line 10, delete the comma and insert a semicolon

1.20 Page 2, line 11, delete ", and" and insert a semicolon and after "money" insert "; and to
1.21 transfer the remaining 50 percent of the net proceeds from the state-operated lottery to a
1.22 new water improvement fund for the construction, repair, and improvement of public water
1.23 systems and related facilities"

1.24 Page 2, line 16, after "Renewal" insert "and Water Improvement Fund Creation"

1.25 Page 4, after line 7, insert:

1.26 "**EFFECTIVE DATE.** If the constitutional amendments in article 1, sections 1 and 2,
1.27 are approved by the voters at the 2024 general election, this section is effective January 1,
1.28 2025."

1.29 Page 4, before line 8, insert:

2.1 "Sec. 3. [446A.077] WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT FUND

2.2 RECOMMENDATIONS.

2.3 By March 1 of each year, the authority must submit to the chairs and ranking minority
2.4 members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over environment
2.5 and natural resources finance recommendations for appropriations from the water
2.6 improvement fund established under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 16. The
2.7 recommendations may be in the form of recommendations for appropriations to existing
2.8 programs administered by the authority that provide for the construction, repair, or
2.9 improvement of public water systems or in the form of recommendations for new programs
2.10 to be established for this purpose.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** If the constitutional amendments in article 1, sections 1 and 2,
2.12 are approved by the voters at the 2024 general election, this section is effective January 1,
2.13 2025."

2.14 Renumber the sections in sequence

2.15 Amend the title as follows:

2.16 Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "proposing adding a section to article XI of
2.17 the Minnesota Constitution;"

2.18 Page 1, line 4, after the semicolon, insert "providing for the construction, repair, and
2.19 improvement of public water systems and related facilities;"

2.20 Amend the title numbers accordingly

2.21 And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Rules
2.22 and Administration. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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2.24 (Committee Chair)

2.25 March 29, 2022.....
2.26 (Date of Committee recommendation)