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03/24/2025	1012	Introduction and first reading Referred to Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate

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A bill for an act

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relating to energy; appropriating money to evaluate the state's geologic hydrogen

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potential.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. APPROPRIATION; NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE.

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(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, paragraph (j),

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\$650,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the renewable development account in

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the special revenue fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, to the

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Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for the Natural Resources Research Institute

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to evaluate the state's geologic hydrogen potential.

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(b) The evaluation must include:

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(1) the availability of the mined hydrogen resource;

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(2) the feasibility of extracting the hydrogen from underground deposits;

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(3) the potential groundwater management challenges; and

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(4) cost-effective strategies for storing and transporting mined hydrogen.

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(c) The Natural Resources Research Institute must submit the evaluation and interim

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report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with

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jurisdiction over energy policy and finance by May 15, 2027, and a final report by May 15,

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2028.