

SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

S.F. No. 811

(SENATE AUTHORS: HAUSCHILD)

| DATE       | D-PG | OFFICIAL STATUS                                                                |
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| 01/30/2025 | 225  | Introduction and first reading<br>Referred to Environment, Climate, and Legacy |

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to natural resources; repealing a prohibition on eating certain beavers;

1.3amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97B.667, subdivision 3.

1.4BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97B.667, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.6Subd. 3. **Permits and notice; requirements.** (a) Before killing or arranging to kill a

1.7beaver under this section, the road authority or government unit must contact a conservation

1.8officer for a special beaver permit if the beaver will be killed within two weeks before or

1.9after the trapping season for beaver, and the conservation officer must issue the permit for

1.10any beaver subject to this section. A permit is not required:

1.11(1) for a licensed trapper during the open trapping season for beaver; or

1.12(2) when the trapping season for beaver is closed and it is not within two weeks before

1.13or after the trapping season for beaver.

1.14(b) A road authority or government unit that kills or arranges to have killed a beaver

1.15under this section must notify a conservation officer or employee of the Fish and Wildlife

1.16Division within ten days after the animal is killed.

1.17(c) Unless otherwise directed by a conservation officer, the road authority, local

1.18government unit, the landowner, or their agent may dispose of or retain beaver killed under

1.19this section. ~~Human consumption of a retained beaver is prohibited.~~

1.20**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.