

SENATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

S.F. No. 1481

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/17/2025	408	Introduction and first reading Referred to Commerce and Consumer Protection
03/13/2025	739a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Environment, Climate, and Legacy
03/24/2025	1026	Author added Johnson Stewart
04/01/2025	1262	Author added Fateh See First Special Session, SF3

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A bill for an act

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relating to commerce; requiring the Pollution Control Agency to provide notice

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to retailers that selling skin-lightening products that contain mercury is illegal;

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requiring businesses who receive notice to self-certify; imposing penalties on

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businesses who fail to self-certify; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota

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Statutes, chapter 325F.

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

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Section 1. **[325F.998] SKIN-LIGHTENER NOTICE REQUIRED.**

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Subdivision 1. **Notice required.** After August 1, 2026, the commissioner of the Pollution

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Control Agency must send a notice to retailers who sell skin-lightening products which

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states that selling skin-lightening products that contain mercury is illegal and subject to

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penalties.

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Subd. 2. **Certification.** Businesses who receive notice from the commissioner must

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self-certify on a form prescribed by the commissioner that they have received the notice

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and will comply with the law.

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Subd. 3. **Penalties.** Businesses who fail to self-certify may be subject to a fine not to

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