

S.F. No. 3161- Modification of allocation of railroad and pipeline company assessments

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S.F. 3161 modifies certain allocations related to railroad and pipeline company assessments for emergency preparedness activities.

Section 1 strikes certain specified appropriations from the railroad and pipeline safety account for environmental protection activities related to railroad discharged preparedness and a transfer from the railroad and pipeline safety account to the grade crossing safety account. Effective the day following final enactment.

Section 2 modifies the \$4,000,000 assessment upon both railroad companies and pipeline companies. Of the assessment, railroads are assessed \$3,418,000, divided in equal proportion among applicable rail carriers based on route miles operated in Minnesota for deposit into the railroad and pipeline safety account. Money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency for environmental protection activities related to railroad discharge preparedness and \$1,500,000 is deposited in the grade crossing safety account.

The remaining assessment of \$582,000 on pipeline companies is divided proportionally among companies' yearly aggregate gallons of oil and other hazardous substances transported by pipeline in Minnesota.

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