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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Climate and Energy Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to energy; adding the definitions of gas and hazardous liquid; authorizing
1.3 exempt rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 216G.02,
1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 216G.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** (a) For purposes of this section and the following terms
1.8 defined in this subdivision have the meanings given.

1.9 (b) "Gas" means natural gas, flammable gas, carbon dioxide, gas that is toxic, or gas
1.10 that is corrosive, regardless of whether the material has been compressed or cooled to a
1.11 liquid or supercritical state.

1.12 (c) "Hazardous liquid" means petroleum, petroleum products, anhydrous ammonia, or
1.13 a substance included in the definition of hazardous liquid under Code of Federal Regulations,
1.14 title 49, section 195.2, as amended.

1.15 (d) Notwithstanding section 216G.01, subdivision 3, "pipeline" means:

1.16 (1) pipe with a nominal diameter of six inches or more that is designed to transport
1.17 hazardous liquids, but does not include pipe designed to transport a hazardous liquid by
1.18 gravity, and pipe designed to transport or store a hazardous liquid within a refining, storage,
1.19 or manufacturing facility; or

1.20 (2) pipe designed to be operated at a pressure of more than 275 pounds per square inch
1.21 and to carry gas.

2.1 Sec. 2. **RULEMAKING.**

2.2 The Public Utilities Commission may use the good cause exemption under Minnesota
2.3 Statutes, section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to amend Minnesota Rules, part 7852.0100.
2.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply, except as provided under Minnesota
2.5 Statutes, section 14.388.