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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **485**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to energy; authorizing certificates of need for certain small modular
1.3 reactors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.243, subdivision 3b.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.243, subdivision 3b, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 3b. **Nuclear power plant; certain new construction prohibited; relicensing.** (a)
1.7 Except as provided in paragraph (c), the commission may not issue a certificate of need for
1.8 the construction of a new nuclear-powered electric generating plant.

1.9 (b) Any certificate of need for additional storage of spent nuclear fuel for a facility
1.10 seeking a license extension shall address the impacts of continued operations over the period
1.11 for which approval is sought.

1.12 (c) The commission may issue a certificate of need to construct a new nuclear-powered
1.13 generating plant with a maximum generation capacity of 300 megawatts.