

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to energy; providing funding for residential energy conservation using
1.3 federal stimulus funding.

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

1.5 Section 1. **RESIDENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY.**

1.6 The director of the Office of Energy Security must fund with federal stimulus dollars
1.7 received by the state for the state energy program from the American Recovery and
1.8 Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law 111-5, a residential energy program that makes
1.9 grants to cities for programs meeting the requirements of this section. A program must
1.10 utilize funding from the state energy program, local government, weatherization program,
1.11 utility conservation improvement program, and private nonprofit entities. The program
1.12 must include the following four elements:

1.13 (1) performance-based community air-sealing and weatherization;

1.14 (2) an environmental awareness and carbon footprint campaign;

1.15 (3) a beyond-the-basics component of additional and more comprehensive energy
1.16 conservation measures including, without limitation, deep energy retrofits and appliance
1.17 upgrades; and

1.18 (4) a plan to recycle program funds so that the program is sustainable over time.