

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Environment, Climate, and Legacy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to environment; prohibiting unproductive conservation lands from being
1.3 considered benefited property under state drainage laws; proposing coding for new
1.4 law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103E.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[103E.026] UNPRODUCTIVE CONSERVATION LANDS ARE NOT**
1.7 **BENEFITED BY DRAINAGE PROJECTS OR REPAIRS.**

1.8 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, any determination of
1.9 benefits under this chapter, whether for a drainage project or for repairing a drainage system,
1.10 must not include a determination that property is benefited if the property is subject to a
1.11 conservation easement.