

LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Agenda Item Item 6. F. - 2021 Legislative Action

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Summary

Lisa Frenette has been meeting with various Representatives and Senators about LMRWD issues. Senator Pratt has agreed to carry legislation for the LMRWD and she has approached Representative Sandra Masin and Tony Albright about carrying legislation in the house.

Several bills have been introduced that address issues of the Minnesota River Basin. If Managers are interested in reviewing any of those bills, numbers and links follow:

- <u>SF261/HF731</u> Appropriating money to study storm water retention and infiltration and for a water storage plan. In the Senate the authors are Senators Weber, Wiger and Eaton. In the House the author is Representative Torkelson.
- <u>SF81/HF518</u> Watershed management provided, and water quality and storage in Minnesota River program *established*. In the Senate, authors are Frentz and Weber. In the House, authors are Lippert and Fischer.
- No companion bill in the Senate/<u>HF701</u> *Soil-health farming goals established, soil-health farming financial incentives created, data collection required, data classified, and money appropriated*. Author in the House is Representative Lippert and others.
- <u>SF793/HF1010</u> Statewide soil health action plan development funding provided, precision agriculture research and outreach funding provided, agricultural best management practice loan program funding increased, and money appropriated. Senate author is Senator Eken. House authors are Representatives Lippert and Fischer.
- <u>SF1037/HF932</u> Water quality and storage program establishment and appropriation. Senate author is Senator Hawj. House author is Representative Fischer.

Ms. Frenette will join the meeting to report to the Board.

Attachments No Attachments

Recommended Action No action recommended