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Overview

Requires the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) to establish a system for reporting and maintaining an inventory of greenhouse gas emissions, in order to measure progress in meeting statutory greenhouse gas emissions-reduction goals and to provide information to develop strategies to achieve those goals.

Section

- 1 Greenhouse gas emissions reporting.** Requires the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) to establish a system for reporting and maintaining an inventory of greenhouse gas emissions. Current Minnesota Statutes, section 216H.02 establishes goals for reducing these emissions.

Requires that this system be designed, to the extent practicable, to coordinate with other regional or federal reporting and inventory systems. Specifies emission sources that must be included in the reporting. Requires that the commissioner of PCA consider requiring reporting of greenhouse gas emissions from transportation fuels and from natural gas combustion that are not included in reporting from stationary sources. Requires that if the commissioner decides these should not be included in the initial reporting system, the reasons for that decision be reported to chairs of legislative committees with jurisdiction over energy and environmental policy.

Requires a facility reporting greenhouse gas emissions under this section to maintain data used to create the reports for at least five years.

Subdivision 3 authorizes the PCA to adopt rules for purposes of this section.