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Subject Dry cleaner reimbursement account

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Overview

House File 134 makes changes to the dry cleaner environmental response and reimbursement account, composed of fees paid by dry cleaner facilities, that is used to reimburse dry cleaner owners and operators for costs resulting from cleanups of environmental contamination from dry cleaner facilities.

Summary

Section Description

1 [115B.49] Subd. 3. Expenditures.

Prioritizes spending from the dry cleaner environmental response and reimbursement account. First priority is reimbursing a person who was or is an operator of a dry cleaning facility and has contributed toward an environmental response action. Second priority is to reimburse the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) for expenditures made to complete a partial cleanup conducted by a dry cleaner owner or operator.

2 [325E.381] Perchloroethylene prohibited.

Prohibits the use of percholoroethylene as a dry cleaning solvent after December 31, 2023.

3 Laws 2019, 1st spec. sess., ch. 4, art. 1, § 2, subd. 10.

Makes technical changes allowing the transfer of \$600,000 in fiscal year 2020 from the remediation fund to the dry cleaner environmental response and reimbursement account for the PCA to study the future funding and operations of the account. The study is to be completed by June 30, 2022.

4 Cost share program for dry cleaners; appropriation.

Appropriates \$400,000 in fiscal year 2021 from the remediation fund to the commissioner of PCA for a grant program to assist dry cleaners to transition from using percholoroethylene as a solvent. The maximum grant amount is \$25,000.



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