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1 [115C.04] Subd. 3. Cost recovery; subrogation. Substitutes the authority of the Petroleum Tank Compensation Board for that of the attorney general to recover expenses incurred by the Pollution Control Agency in investigating a release from a petroleum tank and taking corrective action.

Specifies that the board, not, as under current law, the agency, is:

- subrogated to the rights of a responsible party if the latter is insured against the liability for the cost of a corrective action; and
- may request the attorney general to bring an action in district court against the insurer to enforce this subrogation right.

2 [115C.09] Subd. 3h. Reimbursement; aboveground tanks in bulk plants. Strikes language directing the board to reimburse 90 percent of an applicant's cost, up to \$10,000, for upgrades or closures made between June 1, 1998, and November 1, 2003, that were necessary to comply with state rules governing tank and piping standards and standards for corrosion and overfill protection. Applications under this provision were to be submitted prior to 2006.

3 Subd. 3k. PVC piping at residential locations. Requires the board to reimburse a qualified contractor 90 percent of the reasonable cost of replacing PVC fill piping with metal piping at single family homes heating with heating oil between May 1, 2008 , and

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September 1, 2011 . The maximum reimbursement per household is \$250. No more than \$1.5 million may be spent for this purpose.

Specifies that a heating oil vendor is not a responsible person with respect to a heating oil spill inside a residence if the spill was caused solely by the failure of a tank or tank equipment owned by the homeowner.

- 4** **Repealer.** Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 115C.09, subdivision 3j, which provides for reimbursement up to \$3,000 for retrofits of retail gasoline stations and liquid fuel cargo tanks operating at such locations in 2002 or 2003. The work was to be completed by September 1, 2006 .