

## S.F. No. 167, 1<sup>st</sup> Engrossment – Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Changes and Appropriation

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**Section 1 [Priority of Expenditures]** requires the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to prioritize reimbursing the costs of environmental response actions undertaken by dry cleaner operators and the agency itself before reimbursing other eligible costs from the dry cleaner environmental response and reimbursement account.

**Section 2 [Perchloroethylene Ban]** prohibits the use of perchloroethylene as a dry cleaning solvent beginning in 2026.

**Section 3 [Appropriation Cancellation]** cancels the unexpended portion of a 2020 appropriation, estimated to be \$255,000. These funds are reappropriated in section 4.

**Section 4 [Appropriations]** appropriates the following amounts in fiscal year 2021:

- \$355,000 from the remediation fund for a cost-share program to reimburse owners or operators of dry cleaning facilities for up to \$20,000 of the costs of transitioning from perchloroethylene to alternative solvents.
- \$213,000 from the dry cleaner environmental response and reimbursement account to make reimbursements under MS § 115B.49, with first-priority recipients being dry cleaner operators who have made reimbursement requests.