

## SEVENTY-FIFTH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Monday, March 24, 2014

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

**CALL OF THE SENATE**

Senator Sieben imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Dennis Morreim.

The members of the Senate gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Anderson	Dziedzic	Jensen	Ortman	Senjem
Bakk	Eaton	Johnson	Osmek	Sheran
Benson	Eken	Kent	Pappas	Sieben
Bonoff	Fischbach	Kiffmeyer	Pederson, J.	Skoe
Brown	Franzen	Koenen	Petersen, B.	Sparks
Carlson	Gazelka	Limmer	Pratt	Stumpf
Chamberlain	Goodwin	Lourey	Reinert	Thompson
Champion	Hall	Marty	Rest	Tomassoni
Clausen	Hann	Metzen	Rosen	Torres Ray
Cohen	Hawj	Miller	Ruud	Weber
Dahle	Hayden	Nelson	Saxhaug	Westrom
Dahms	Housley	Newman	Scalze	Wiger
Dibble	Ingebrigtsen	Nienow	Schmit	Wiklund

The President declared a quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

**EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were received.

February 24, 2014

The Honorable Sandra L. Pappas  
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Pappas:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

## CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

Jon Stafsholt, 313 Birchcrest Dr., Glenwood, in the county of Pope, effective March 1, 2014, for a term expiring on January 1, 2018.

(Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration - Subcommittee on Elections.)

March 11, 2014

The Honorable Sandra L. Pappas  
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Pappas:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

## MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

Kathryn Draeger, 33626 - 660th Ave., Clinton, in the county of Big Stone, effective March 16, 2014, for a term expiring on January 1, 2018.

(Referred to the Committee on Environment and Energy.)

March 19, 2014

The Honorable Sandra L. Pappas  
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Pappas:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

## BOARD OF THE PERPICH CENTER FOR ARTS EDUCATION

Martha West, 1922 Parkmont Ln., Anoka, in the county of Anoka, effective March 20, 2014, for a term expiring on January 4, 2016.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

Sincerely,  
Mark Dayton, Governor

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Senator Bakk moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the report on S.F. No. 2128. The motion prevailed.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2483:** A bill for an act relating to energy; regulating siting large electric power generating plants; allowing solar generation facilities to be eligible for alternative review; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 216E.01, by adding a subdivision; 216E.04, subdivision 2; 216E.05, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216E.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete section 4

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2501:** A bill for an act relating to energy; utilities; requiring certain information and a report related to interconnection of distributed renewable electric generation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 216B.1611, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 216B.1611, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3a. **Project information.** (a) Beginning July 1, 2014, each electric utility shall request an applicant for interconnection of distributed renewable energy generation to provide the following information, in a format prescribed by the commissioner:

- (1) the nameplate capacity of the facility in the application;
- (2) the total preincentive installed cost of the generation system at the facility;
- (3) the energy source of the facility; and
- (4) the zip code in which the facility is to be located.

(b) The commissioner shall develop or identify a system to collect and process the information under this subdivision from each utility, and make nonproject-specific data available to the public on a periodic basis as determined by the commissioner, and in a format determined by the commissioner. The commissioner may solicit proposals from outside parties to develop the system.

(c) Electric utilities collecting and transferring data under this subdivision are not responsible for the accuracy, completeness, or quality of the information under this subdivision.

(d) Any information under this subdivision is nonpublic, until it is made public by the commissioner as provided under paragraph (b) of this subdivision.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2752:** A bill for an act relating to energy; utilities; modifying residential customer protections pertaining to medically necessary equipment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 216B.098, subdivision 5.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete section 2

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2615:** A bill for an act relating to energy; conservation; amending the amount the Department of Commerce may assess utilities; allocating incremental revenue to develop and maintain a statewide uniform energy conservation reporting system for utilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 216B.241, subdivision 1d.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 22, delete the new language and insert "\$....."

Page 2, line 4, delete "\$500,000" and insert "\$....."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2168:** A bill for an act relating to energy; utilities; providing an exception to certificate of need requirements for certain electric generation facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 216B.243, subdivision 8.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete lines 4 to 8 and insert:

"(7) a wind energy conversion system or solar electric generation facility if the system or facility is owned and operated by an independent power producer and the electric output of the system or facility is not sold to an entity that provides retail service in Minnesota or wholesale electric service to another entity in Minnesota other than an entity that is a federally recognized regional transmission organization or independent system operator."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Environment and Energy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2622:** A bill for an act relating to energy; requiring a special electric tariff for charging electric vehicles; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 12, delete "September 30, 2014" and insert "February 1, 2015"

Page 1, line 15, after "contain" insert "either" and after "rate" insert ", as elected by the public utility"

Page 2, line 3, delete everything after "to"

Page 2, delete line 4

Page 2, line 5, delete the second "and"

Page 2, line 7, delete the period and insert "; and"

Page 2, after line 7, insert:

"(4) incorporates the cost of metering or submetering within the rate charged to the customer."

Page 2, after line 9, insert:

"(e) The utility may at any time propose revisions to a tariff filed under this subdivision based on changing costs or conditions."

Page 2, line 12, delete "presented" and insert "organized"

Page 2, delete lines 17 to 22

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Torres Ray from the Committee on Education, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2097:** A bill for an act relating to the financing of state government; making supplemental appropriations for early childhood through grade 12 education, higher education, health and human services, and state government; modifying certain statutory provisions; increasing the general fund budget reserve; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16A.152, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2013, chapter 116, article 8, section 5, subdivision 8; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16A.152, subdivision 1b.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Administration.** (a) The commissioner shall establish application timelines and determine the schedule for awarding scholarships that meets operational needs of eligible families and programs. The commissioner may prioritize applications on factors including family income, geographic location, and whether the child's family is on a waiting list for a publicly funded program providing early education or child care services.

(b) Scholarships may be awarded ~~up to \$5,000 for~~ each eligible child. The commissioner shall establish a target for the average scholarship amount per child based on the results of the rate survey conducted under section 119B.13, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), per year.

(c) A four-star rated program that has children eligible for a scholarship enrolled in or on a waiting list for a program beginning in July, August, or September may notify the commissioner, in

the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, each year of the program's desire to enhance program services or to serve more children than current funding provides. The commissioner may designate a predetermined number of scholarship slots for that program and notify the program of that number.

(d) A scholarship is awarded for a 12-month period. If the scholarship recipient has not been accepted and subsequently enrolled in a rated program within ten months of the awarding of the scholarship, the scholarship cancels and the recipient must reapply in order to be eligible for another scholarship. A child may not be awarded more than one scholarship in a 12-month period.

(e) A child who receives a scholarship who has not completed development screening under sections 121A.16 to 121A.19 must complete that screening within 90 days of first attending an eligible program.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Early childhood program eligibility.** (a) In order to be eligible to accept an early childhood education scholarship, a program must:

- (1) participate in the quality rating and improvement system under section 124D.142; and
- (2) beginning July 1, 2016, have a three- or four-star rating in the quality rating and improvement system.

(b) Any program accepting scholarships must use the revenue to supplement and not supplant federal funding.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), all Minnesota early learning foundation scholarship program pilot sites are eligible to accept an early learning scholarship under this section.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Program funding.** (a) Beginning in fiscal year 2016, the annual baseline appropriation for this program equals the lesser of:

- (1) twice the appropriation for the previous year; or
- (2) the actual amount necessary to fund all eligible scholarship requests.

(b) There is annually appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of education the amount necessary for early education scholarships according to paragraph (a). This amount must be reduced by the amount of any money specifically appropriated for the same purpose in any year from any state fund.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 4. Laws 2013, chapter 116, article 8, section 5, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Early childhood education scholarships.** For transfer to the Office of Early Learning for early learning scholarships under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.165:

\$	23,000,000	.....	2014
	<del>23,000,000</del>		
\$	<u>63,000,000</u>	.....	2015

Up to \$950,000 each year is for administration of this program.

Any balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014.

**Sec. 5. LEARNING MENTORSHIP PILOT PROGRAM.**

**Subdivision 1. Establishment.** For fiscal years 2015 through 2017, the commissioner of education shall develop a learning mentorship pilot program to improve achievement using volunteer mentorships that provides one-on-one advice and training to students who need educational assistance.

**Subd. 2. Pilot site selection.** The commissioner shall select five school districts to serve as pilot sites. The pilot sites must include three school districts whose administrative offices are located in the seven-county metropolitan area, one school district whose administrative offices are not located in the seven-county metropolitan area, and one district where a majority of the students served are American Indian children. Two of the eligible school districts located in the seven-county metropolitan area must have their administrative offices located in a city of the first class. The commissioner may select existing programs as pilot sites.

**Subd. 3. Student selection.** Pilot sites are solely responsible for determining which students in the pilot site school district are paired with mentors. Pilot sites must develop a selection method to pair students who need additional one-on-one assistance with volunteer mentors. Students who need additional assistance with academic achievement should be given preference for being paired with a mentor. Students may be mentored for any portion of the school year, as determined by the pilot site and the mentor.

**Subd. 4. Mentorship criteria.** Each pilot site must select volunteer mentors who will work with students who need additional one-on-one assistance to improve educational achievement. Each pilot site is solely responsible for overseeing its mentors and ensuring that the mentor's work conforms with the site's academic program. Each pilot site may determine the appropriate number of mentors and how each mentor interacts with students. Mentors must act as individual advisors and assist with individual academic performance throughout the school year. At a minimum, mentors shall work with each student at least three hours per week. Mentors may work with students in the evenings and during the summer. Each pilot site must agree to allow mentors to work individually with students to advise students and to help improve each student's achievement. Mentors must work with each student's teacher to ensure that the mentorship guidance that is provided conforms to each teacher's lesson plan and curriculum. Pilot sites must be willing to allow mentors to work during the school day or after school with students needing additional assistance.

**Subd. 5. Funding.** In each year, the commissioner shall allocate 20 percent of the grant allocation to each pilot site. Each pilot site's grant allocation must be used to identify, select, and train mentors to work individually with students who are in need of achievement improvement. Grant allocations may also be used to purchase academic materials and to provide food and drink for students who are being mentored after the regular school day. The pilot site must agree to a financial and academic

reporting mechanism determined by the commissioner for the purposes of preparing the report in subdivision 6.

Subd. 6. **Report.** By January 15, 2018, the commissioner shall report to the legislative committees in the legislature with responsibility for education finance on the effectiveness of the learning mentorship pilot project. At a minimum, the report shall evaluate the extent to which mentorship improved achievement and attendance, reduced the achievement gap, and improved students' interest in learning. The report shall also examine mentorship techniques that proved successful.

**Sec. 6. APPROPRIATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Department of Education.** The sums indicated in this section are appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years designated.

Subd. 2. **Learning mentorship pilot project.** For learning mentorship pilot project grants and administration:

\$	<u>1,500,000</u>	....	<u>2015</u>
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The Department of Education may retain up to five percent of this appropriation for administration of the pilot project.

The base for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 is \$1,500,000 each year. The base for fiscal year 2018 and later is \$0.

**Sec. 7. APPROPRIATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Board of the Arts.** The sums indicated in this section are appropriated from the general fund to the Board of the Arts for the fiscal years designated.

Subd. 2. **Arts education.** For arts education in partnership with the President's Turnaround Arts Initiative:

\$	<u>600,000</u>	....	<u>2015</u>
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The base for fiscal year 2016 is \$600,000. The base in fiscal year 2017 and thereafter is \$0."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to education finance; eliminating the early childhood education scholarship cap; creating an elementary learning pilot program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivisions 3, 4, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2013, chapter 116, article 8, section 5, subdivision 8."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Torres Ray from the Committee on Education, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2470:** A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing an innovative partnership to deliver certain technology and educational services; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123A.



Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 22, delete "under" and insert "according to the bylaws and approved by every member of the cooperative."

Page 1, delete lines 23 and 24

Page 2, delete lines 1 to 5

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Torres Ray from the Committee on Education, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 1889:** A bill for an act relating to education; providing for policy for early childhood and family, kindergarten through grade 12, and adult education; making clarifying and technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 124D.03, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 124D.08, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 120B.021, subdivision 4; 124D.10, subdivisions 1, 6, 8; 124D.165, subdivisions 2, 4; 124D.4531, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

**"ARTICLE 1**

**GENERAL EDUCATION**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123B.88, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Providing transportation.** The board may provide for the transportation of pupils to and from school and for any other purpose. The board may also provide for the transportation of pupils to schools in other districts for grades and departments not maintained in the district, including high school, at the expense of the district, when funds are available therefor and if agreeable to the district to which it is proposed to transport the pupils, for the whole or a part of the school year, as it may deem advisable, and subject to its rules. In any district, the board must arrange for the attendance of all pupils living two miles or more from the school, except pupils whose transportation privileges have been voluntarily surrendered under subdivision 2, or whose privileges have been revoked under section 123B.91, subdivision 1, clause (6), or 123B.90, subdivision 2. The district may provide for the transportation of or the boarding and rooming of the pupils who may be more economically and conveniently provided for by that means. Arrangements for attendance may include a requirement that parents or guardians request transportation before it is provided. The board must provide transportation to and from the home of a child with a disability not yet enrolled in kindergarten when special instruction and services under sections 125A.03 to 125A.24, 125A.26 to 125A.48, and 125A.65 are provided in a ~~location other than in the child's home~~ district facility, a placement contracted for by the district, or a Head Start program if the Head Start program does not otherwise provide transportation. When transportation is provided, scheduling of routes, establishment of the location of bus stops, manner and method of transportation, control and discipline of school children, the determination of fees, and any other matter relating thereto must be within the sole discretion, control, and management of the board. The district may provide for the transportation of pupils or expend a reasonable amount for room and board of pupils whose attendance at school can more economically and conveniently be

provided for by that means or who attend school in a building rented or leased by a district within the confines of an adjacent district.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.08, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2b. Continued enrollment for students placed in foster care. Notwithstanding subdivision 2, a pupil who has been enrolled in a district who is placed in foster care in another district may continue to enroll in the prior district without the approval of the board of the prior district. The approval of the board where the pupil's foster home is located is not required.

## ARTICLE 2

### EDUCATION EXCELLENCE

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 13.32, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Admissions forms; remedial instruction.** (a) Minnesota postsecondary education institutions, for purposes of reporting and research, may collect on the 1986-1987 admissions form, and disseminate to any public educational agency or institution the following data on individuals: student sex, ethnic background, age, and disabilities. The data shall not be required of any individual and shall not be used for purposes of determining the person's admission to an institution.

(b) A school district that receives information under subdivision 3, paragraph (h) from a postsecondary institution about an identifiable student shall maintain the data as educational data and use that data to conduct studies to improve instruction. Public postsecondary systems ~~annually shall provide summary data to the Department of Education indicating as part of their participation in the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System shall provide data on the extent and content of the remedial instruction received in each system during the prior academic year by individual students,~~ and the results of assessment testing and the academic performance of, students who graduated from a Minnesota school district within two years before receiving the remedial instruction. ~~The department Office of Higher Education, in collaboration with the Department of Education,~~ shall evaluate the data and annually report its findings to the education committees of the legislature.

(c) This section supersedes any inconsistent provision of law.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.021, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Revisions and reviews required.** (a) The commissioner of education must revise and appropriately embed technology and information literacy standards consistent with recommendations from school media specialists into the state's academic standards and graduation requirements and implement a ten-year cycle to review and revise state academic standards and related benchmarks, consistent with this subdivision. During each ten-year review and revision cycle, the commissioner also must examine the alignment of each required academic standard and related benchmark with the knowledge and skills students need for career and college readiness and advanced work in the particular subject area. The commissioner must include the contributions of Minnesota American Indian tribes and communities as related to the academic standards during the review and revision of the required academic standards.

(b) The commissioner must ensure that the statewide mathematics assessments administered to students in grades 3 through 8 and 11 are aligned with the state academic standards in mathematics, consistent with section 120B.30, subdivision 1, paragraph (b). The commissioner must implement a review of the academic standards and related benchmarks in mathematics beginning in the 2015-2016 school year and every ten years thereafter.

(c) The commissioner must implement a review of the academic standards and related benchmarks in arts beginning in the 2016-2017 school year and every ten years thereafter.

(d) The commissioner must implement a review of the academic standards and related benchmarks in science beginning in the 2017-2018 school year and every ten years thereafter.

(e) The commissioner must implement a review of the academic standards and related benchmarks in language arts beginning in the 2018-2019 school year and every ten years thereafter.

(f) The commissioner must implement a review of the academic standards and related benchmarks in social studies beginning in the 2019-2020 school year and every ten years thereafter.

(g) School districts and charter schools must revise and align local academic standards and high school graduation requirements in health, world languages, and career and technical education to require students to complete the revised standards beginning in a school year determined by the school district or charter school. School districts and charter schools must formally establish a periodic review cycle for the academic standards and related benchmarks in health, world languages, and career and technical education.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 120B.022, is amended to read:

**120B.022 ELECTIVE STANDARDS.**

Subdivision 1. **Elective standards.** (a) A district must establish its own standards in the following subject areas:

- (1) career and technical education; and
- (2) world languages.

A school district must offer courses in all elective subject areas.

Subd. 1a. **Foreign language and culture; proficiency certificates.** (b) (a) World languages teachers and other school staff should develop and implement world languages programs that acknowledge and reinforce the language proficiency and cultural awareness that non-English language speakers already possess, and encourage students' proficiency in multiple world languages. Programs under this ~~paragraph~~ section must encompass indigenous American Indian languages and cultures, among other world languages and cultures. The department shall consult with postsecondary institutions in developing related professional development opportunities for purposes of this section.

(c) (b) Any Minnesota public, charter, or nonpublic school may award Minnesota World Language Proficiency Certificates or Minnesota World Language Proficiency High Achievement Certificates, consistent with this subdivision.

(c) The Minnesota World Language Proficiency Certificate recognizes students who demonstrate listening, speaking, reading, and writing language skills at the American Council on the Teaching of

Foreign Languages' Intermediate-Low level on a valid and reliable assessment tool. For languages listed as Category 3 by the United States Foreign Service Institute or Category 4 by the United States Defense Language Institute, the standard is Intermediate-Low for listening and speaking and Novice-High for reading and writing.

(d) The Minnesota World Language Proficiency High Achievement Certificate recognizes students who demonstrate listening, speaking, reading, and writing language skills at the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages' Pre-Advanced level for K-12 learners on a valid and reliable assessment tool. For languages listed as Category 3 by the United States Foreign Service Institute or Category 4 by the United States Defense Language Institute, the standard is Pre-Advanced for listening and speaking and Intermediate-Mid for reading and writing.

Subd. 1b. **State bilingual and multilingual seals.** (a) Consistent with efforts to strive for the world's best workforce under sections 120B.11 and 124D.10, subdivision 8, paragraph (u), and close the academic achievement and opportunity gap under sections 124D.861 and 124D.862, voluntary state bilingual and multilingual seals are established to recognize high school graduates who demonstrate level 5 functional native proficiency in speaking and reading on the Foreign Services Institute language proficiency tests or on equivalent valid and reliable assessments in one or more languages in addition to English. American Sign Language is a language other than English for purposes of this subdivision and a world language for purposes of subdivision 1a.

(b) In addition to paragraph (a), to be eligible to receive a seal:

- (1) students must satisfactorily complete all required English language arts credits; and
- (2) students whose primary language is other than English must demonstrate mastery of Minnesota's English language proficiency standards.

(c) Consistent with this subdivision, a high school graduate who demonstrates functional native proficiency in one language in addition to English is eligible to receive the state bilingual seal. A high school graduate who demonstrates functional native proficiency in more than one language in addition to English is eligible to receive the state multilingual seal.

(d) School districts and charter schools, in consultation with regional centers of excellence under section 120B.115, must give students periodic opportunities to demonstrate their level of proficiency in speaking and reading in a language in addition to English. Where valid and reliable assessments are unavailable, a school district or charter school may rely on a licensed foreign language immersion teacher or a nonlicensed community expert under section 122A.25 to assess a student's level of foreign, heritage, or indigenous language proficiency under this section. School districts and charter schools must maintain appropriate records to identify high school graduates eligible to receive the state bilingual or multilingual seal. The school district or charter school must affix the appropriate seal to the transcript of each high school graduate who meets the requirements of this subdivision and may affix the seal to the student's diploma. A school district or charter school must not charge the high school graduate a fee for this seal.

(e) A school district or charter school may award elective course credits in world languages to a student who demonstrates the requisite proficiency in a language other than English under this section.

(f) A school district or charter school may award community service credit to a student who demonstrates level 5 functional native proficiency in speaking and reading in a language other than

English and who participates in community service activities that are integrated into the curriculum, involve the participation of teachers, and support biliteracy in the school or local community.

(g) The commissioner must develop a Web page for the electronic delivery of these seals. The commissioner must list on the Web page those assessments that are equivalent to the Foreign Services Institute language proficiency tests.

(h) The colleges and universities of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system must award foreign language credits to a student who receives a state bilingual seal or a state multilingual seal under this subdivision and may award foreign language credits to a student who receives a Minnesota World Language Proficiency Certificate or a Minnesota World Language Proficiency High Achievement Certificate under subdivision 1a.

Subd. 2. **Local assessments.** A district must use a locally selected assessment to determine if a student has achieved an elective standard.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2014-2015 school year and later, except subdivision 1b, paragraph (h) is effective for students enrolling in a MnSCU system college or university in the 2015-2016 school year or later.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.11, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **District advisory committee.** Each school board shall establish an advisory committee to ensure active community participation in all phases of planning and improving the instruction and curriculum affecting state and district academic standards, consistent with subdivision 2. A district advisory committee, to the extent possible, shall reflect the diversity of the district and its school sites, and shall include teachers, parents, support staff, students, and other community residents. The district may establish site teams as subcommittees of the district advisory committee under subdivision 4. The district advisory committee shall recommend to the school board rigorous academic standards, student achievement goals and measures consistent with subdivision 1a and sections 120B.022, ~~subdivision 1, paragraphs (b) and (c)~~ subdivisions 1a and 1b, and 120B.35, district assessments, and program evaluations. School sites may expand upon district evaluations of instruction, curriculum, assessments, or programs. Whenever possible, parents and other community residents shall comprise at least two-thirds of advisory committee members.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2014-2015 school year and later.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.115, is amended to read:

**120B.115 REGIONAL CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE.**

(a) Regional centers of excellence are established to assist and support school boards, school districts, school sites, and charter schools in implementing research-based interventions and practices to increase the students' achievement within a region. The centers must develop partnerships with local and regional service cooperatives, postsecondary institutions, integrated school districts, the department, children's mental health providers, or other local or regional entities interested in providing a cohesive and consistent regional delivery system that serves all schools equitably. Centers must assist school districts, school sites, and charter schools in developing similar partnerships. Center support may include assisting school districts, school sites, and charter schools with common principles of effective practice, including:

(1) defining measurable education goals under ~~section~~ sections 120B.11, subdivision 2, and 120B.022, subdivisions 1a and 1b;

(2) implementing evidence-based practices;

(3) engaging in data-driven decision-making;

(4) providing multilayered levels of support;

(5) supporting culturally responsive teaching and learning aligning state and local academic standards and career and college readiness benchmarks; and

(6) engaging parents, families, youth, and local community members in programs and activities at the school district, school site, or charter school.

Centers must work with school site leadership teams to build capacity to implement programs that close the achievement gap, increase students' progress and growth toward career and college readiness, and increase student graduation rates.

(b) The department must assist the regional centers of excellence to meet staff, facilities, and technical needs, provide the centers with programmatic support, and work with the centers to establish a coherent statewide system of regional support, including consulting, training, and technical support, to help school boards, school districts, school sites, and charter schools effectively and efficiently implement the world's best workforce goals under section 120B.11 and other state and federal education initiatives.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2014-2015 school year and later.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123A.06, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Granting a diploma.** Upon successful completion of the area learning center program, a pupil is entitled to receive a high school diploma. The pupil may elect to receive a diploma from either the district of residence or the district in which the area learning center is located or the intermediate district or educational cooperative responsible for the area learning center program.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.03, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Pupil application procedures.** In order that a pupil may attend a school or program in a nonresident district, the pupil's parent or guardian must submit an application to the nonresident district. ~~Before submitting an application, the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian must explore with a school guidance counselor, or other appropriate staff member employed by the district the pupil is currently attending, the pupil's academic or other reason for applying to enroll in a nonresident district.~~ The pupil's application must identify the a reason for enrolling in the nonresident district. The parent or guardian of a pupil must submit an a signed application by January 15 for initial enrollment beginning the following school year. The application must be on a form provided by the Department of Education. A particular school or program may be requested by the parent. Once enrolled in a nonresident district, the pupil may remain enrolled and is not required to submit annual or periodic applications. If the student moves to a new resident district, the student retains the seat in the nonresident district, but must submit a new enrollment options form to update the student's information. To return to the resident district or to transfer to a different nonresident district, the parent or guardian of the pupil must provide notice to the resident district

or apply to a different nonresident district by January 15 for enrollment beginning the following school year.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.03, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Desegregation Achievement and integration district transfers.** (a) This subdivision applies to a transfer into or out of a district that has a ~~desegregation~~ an achievement and integration plan approved by the commissioner of education.

(b) An application to transfer may be submitted at any time for enrollment beginning at any time.

(c) A pupil enrolled in a nonresident district under a ~~desegregation~~ an achievement and integration plan approved by the commissioner of education is not required to make annual or periodic application for enrollment but may remain enrolled in the same district. A pupil may transfer to the resident district at any time.

(d) Subdivision 2 applies to a transfer into or out of a district with a ~~desegregation~~ an achievement and integration plan.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.03, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Nonresident district procedures.** A district shall notify the parent or guardian in writing by February 15 or within 90 days for applications submitted after January 15 in the case of achievement and integration district transfers whether the application has been accepted or rejected. If an application is rejected, the district must state in the notification the reason for rejection. The parent or guardian must notify the nonresident district by March 1 or within 45 days whether the pupil intends to enroll in the nonresident district. Notice of intent to enroll in the nonresident district obligates the pupil to attend the nonresident district during the following school year, unless the boards of the resident and the nonresident districts agree in writing to allow the pupil to transfer back to the resident district; ~~or. If the pupil's parents or guardians change residence to another district, the student does not lose the seat in the nonresident district but the parent or guardian must complete an updated enrollment options form.~~ If a parent or guardian does not notify the nonresident district by the January 15 deadline, if it applies, the pupil may not enroll in that nonresident district during the following school year, unless the boards of the resident and nonresident district agree otherwise. The nonresident district must notify the resident district by March 15 or 30 days later of the pupil's intent to enroll in the nonresident district. The same procedures apply to a pupil who applies to transfer from one participating nonresident district to another participating nonresident district.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5a. **Lotteries.** If a school district has more applications than available seats at a specific grade level, it must hold an impartial lottery following the January 15 deadline to determine which students will receive seats. Siblings of currently enrolled students and applications related to an approved integration and achievement plan must receive priority in the lottery. The process for the school district lottery must be established in school district policy, approved by the school board, and be posted on the school district's Web site.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.03, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Basis for decisions.** The board must adopt, by resolution, specific standards for acceptance and rejection of applications. Standards may include the capacity of a program, excluding special education services; class; or school building. The school board may not reject

applications for enrollment in a particular grade level if the nonresident enrollment at that grade level does not exceed the limit set by the board under subdivision 2. Standards may not include previous academic achievement, athletic or other extracurricular ability, disabling conditions, proficiency in the English language, previous disciplinary proceedings, or the student's district of residence, except where the district of residence is directly included in an enrollment options strategy included in an approved achievement and integration program.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.4531, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Career and technical revenue.** (a) A district with a career and technical program approved under this section for the fiscal year in which the levy is certified is eligible for career and technical revenue equal to 35 percent of approved expenditures in the fiscal year in which the levy is certified for the following:

(1) salaries paid to essential, licensed personnel providing direct instructional services to students in that fiscal year, including extended contracts, for services rendered in the district's approved career and technical education programs, excluding salaries reimbursed by another school district under clause (2);

(2) amounts paid to another Minnesota school district for salaries of essential, licensed personnel providing direct instructional services to students in that fiscal year for services rendered in the district's approved career and technical education programs;

(3) contracted services provided by a public or private agency other than a Minnesota school district or cooperative center under subdivision 7 chapter 123A or 136D;

(4) necessary travel between instructional sites by licensed career and technical education personnel;

(5) necessary travel by licensed career and technical education personnel for vocational student organization activities held within the state for instructional purposes;

(6) curriculum development activities that are part of a five-year plan for improvement based on program assessment;

(7) necessary travel by licensed career and technical education personnel for noncollegiate credit-bearing professional development; and

(8) specialized vocational instructional supplies.

~~(b) Up to ten percent of a district's career and technical revenue may be spent on equipment purchases. Districts using the career and technical revenue for equipment purchases must report to the department on the improved learning opportunities for students that result from the investment in equipment.~~

~~(c)~~ (b) The district must recognize the full amount of this levy as revenue for the fiscal year in which it is certified.

~~(d)~~ (c) The amount of the revenue calculated under this subdivision may not exceed \$17,850,000 for taxes payable in 2012, \$15,520,000 for taxes payable in 2013, and \$20,657,000 for taxes payable in 2014.



~~(e)~~(d) If the estimated revenue exceeds the amount in paragraph ~~(d)~~ (c), the commissioner must reduce the percentage in paragraph (a) until the estimated revenue no longer exceeds the limit in paragraph ~~(d)~~ (c).

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.4531, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Revenue guarantee.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1, paragraph (a), the career and technical education revenue for a district is not less than the lesser of:

- (1) the district's career and technical education revenue for the previous fiscal year; or
- (2) 100 percent of the approved expenditures for career and technical programs included in subdivision 1, paragraph ~~(b)~~ (a), for the fiscal year in which the levy is certified.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.4531, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

Subd. 3a. **Revenue adjustments.** Notwithstanding subdivisions 1, 1a, and 3, for taxes payable in 2012 to 2014 only, the department must calculate the career and technical revenue for each district according to Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 124D.4531, and adjust the revenue for each district proportionately to meet the statewide revenue target under subdivision 1, paragraph ~~(d)~~ (c). For purposes of calculating the revenue guarantee under subdivision 3, the career and technical education revenue for the previous fiscal year is the revenue according to Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 124D.4531, before adjustments to meet the statewide revenue target.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.861, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Public engagement; progress report and budget process.** (a) To receive revenue under section 124D.862, the school board of an eligible district must incorporate school and district plan components under section 120B.11 into the district's comprehensive integration plan.

(b) A school board must hold at least one formal annual hearing to publicly report its progress in realizing the goals identified in its plan. At the hearing, the board must provide the public with longitudinal data demonstrating district and school progress in reducing the disparities in student academic performance among the specified categories of students and in realizing racial and economic integration, consistent with the district plan and the measures in paragraph (a). At least 30 days before the formal hearing under this paragraph, the board must post its plan, its preliminary analysis, relevant student performance data, and other longitudinal data on the district's Web site. A district must hold one hearing to meet the hearing requirements of both this section and section 120B.11.

(c) The district must submit a detailed budget to the commissioner by March 15 in the year before it implements its plan. The commissioner must review, and approve or disapprove the district's budget by June 1 of that year.

(d) The longitudinal data required under paragraph (a) must be based on student growth and progress in reading and mathematics, as defined under section 120B.30, subdivision 1, and student performance data and achievement reports from fully adaptive reading and mathematics assessments for grades 3 through 7 beginning in the 2015-2016 school year under section 120B.30, subdivision 1a, and either (i) school enrollment choices, (ii) the number of world language

proficiency or high achievement certificates awarded under section 120B.022, subdivision ~~1~~, ~~paragraphs (b) and (c)~~ 1a, or the number of state bilingual and multilingual seals issued under section 120B.022, subdivision 1b, or (iii) school safety and students' engagement and connection at school under section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (d). Additional longitudinal data may be based on: students' progress toward career and college readiness under section 120B.30, subdivision 1; or rigorous coursework completed under section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (c), clause (2).

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2014-2015 school year and later.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 127A.70, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Powers and duties; report.** (a) The partnership shall develop recommendations to the governor and the legislature designed to maximize the achievement of all P-20 students while promoting the efficient use of state resources, thereby helping the state realize the maximum value for its investment. These recommendations may include, but are not limited to, strategies, policies, or other actions focused on:

(1) improving the quality of and access to education at all points from preschool through graduate education;

(2) improving preparation for, and transitions to, postsecondary education and work; ~~and~~

(3) ensuring educator quality by creating rigorous standards for teacher recruitment, teacher preparation, induction and mentoring of beginning teachers, and continuous professional development for career teachers; and

(4) realigning the governance and administrative structures of early education, kindergarten through grade 12, and postsecondary systems in Minnesota.

(b) Under the direction of the P-20 Education Partnership Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System Governance Committee, the Office of Higher Education and the Departments of Education and Employment and Economic Development shall improve and expand the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System (SLEDS) to provide policymakers, education and workforce leaders, researchers, and members of the public with data, research, and reports to:

(1) expand reporting on students' educational outcomes;

(2) evaluate the effectiveness of educational and workforce programs; and

(3) evaluate the relationship between education and workforce outcomes.

To the extent possible under federal and state law, research and reports should be accessible to the public on the Internet, and disaggregated by demographic characteristics, organization or organization characteristics, and geography.

It is the intent of the legislature that the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System inform public policy and decision-making. The SLEDS governance committee, with assistance from staff of the Office of Higher Education, the Department of Education, and the Department of Employment and Economic Development, shall respond to legislative committee and agency requests on topics utilizing data made available through the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System as resources permit. Any analysis of or report on the data must contain only summary data.

(c) By January 15 of each year, the partnership shall submit a report to the governor and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over P-20 education policy and finance that summarizes the partnership's progress in meeting its goals and identifies the need for any draft legislation when necessary to further the goals of the partnership to maximize student achievement while promoting efficient use of resources.

**Sec. 17. MNSCU REVIEW OF WORLD LANGUAGE COMPETENCIES.**

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) chancellor, after consulting with the world language faculty, must review the specific competencies a K-12 student masters in attaining a state bilingual seal, multilingual seal, Minnesota World Language Proficiency Certificate, or Minnesota World Language Proficiency High Achievement Certificate under section 3, subdivisions 1a and 1b, and determine credit and course equivalencies for each seal or certificate. The chancellor, or the chancellor's designee, must report findings, determinations, and any recommendations to the education policy and finance committees of the legislature by February 15, 2015.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

**Sec. 18. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 120B.35, subdivision 4; and 122A.61, subdivision 2, are repealed.

### ARTICLE 3

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 121A.582, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Reasonable force standard.** (a) A teacher or school principal, in exercising the person's lawful authority, may use reasonable force when it is necessary under the circumstances to correct or restrain a student or prevent bodily harm or death to another.

(b) A school employee, school bus driver, or other agent of a district, in exercising the person's lawful authority, may use reasonable force when it is necessary under the circumstances to restrain a student or prevent bodily harm or death to another.

(c) Paragraphs (a) and (b) do not authorize conduct prohibited under ~~sections 121A.58 and 121A.67~~ section 125A.0942.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.023, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section and section 125A.027, the following terms have the meanings given them:

(a) "Health plan" means:

(1) a health plan under section 62Q.01, subdivision 3;

(2) a county-based purchasing plan under section 256B.692;

(3) a self-insured health plan established by a local government under section 471.617; or

(4) self-insured health coverage provided by the state to its employees or retirees.

(b) For purposes of this section, "health plan company" means an entity that issues a health plan as defined in paragraph (a).

~~(c) "Individual interagency intervention plan" means a standardized written plan describing those programs or services and the accompanying funding sources available to eligible children with disabilities.~~

~~(c)~~ (c) "Interagency intervention service system" means a system that coordinates services and programs required in state and federal law to meet the needs of eligible children with disabilities ages birth through 21, including:

(1) services provided under the following programs or initiatives administered by state or local agencies:

(i) the maternal and child health program under title V of the Social Security Act;

(ii) the Minnesota children with special health needs program under sections 144.05 and 144.07;

(iii) the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, section 619, and Part C as amended;

(iv) medical assistance under title 42, chapter 7, of the Social Security Act;

(v) developmental disabilities services under chapter 256B;

(vi) the Head Start Act under title 42, chapter 105, of the Social Security Act;

(vii) vocational rehabilitation services provided under chapters 248 and 268A and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;

(viii) Juvenile Court Act services provided under sections 260.011 to 260.91; 260B.001 to 260B.446; and 260C.001 to 260C.451;

(ix) Minnesota Comprehensive Children's Mental Health Act under section 245.487;

(x) the community health services grants under sections 145.88 to 145.9266;

(xi) the Local Public Health Act under chapter 145A; and

(xii) the Vulnerable Children and Adults Act, sections 256M.60 to 256M.80;

(2) service provision and funding that can be coordinated through:

(i) the children's mental health collaborative under section 245.493;

(ii) the family services collaborative under section 124D.23;

(iii) the community transition interagency committees under section 125A.22; and

(iv) the interagency early intervention committees under section 125A.259;

(3) financial and other funding programs to be coordinated including medical assistance under title 42, chapter 7, of the Social Security Act, the MinnesotaCare program under chapter 256L, Supplemental Social Security Income, Developmental Disabilities Assistance, and any other employment-related activities associated with the Social Security Administration; and

services provided under a health plan in conformity with an individual family service plan or an individualized education program or an individual interagency intervention plan; and

(4) additional appropriate services that local agencies and counties provide on an individual need basis upon determining eligibility and receiving a request from the interagency early intervention committee and the child's parent.

~~(e)~~ (d) "Children with disabilities" has the meaning given in section 125A.02.

~~(f)~~ (e) A "standardized written plan" means those individual services or programs, with accompanying funding sources, available through the interagency intervention service system to an eligible child other than the services or programs described in the child's individualized education program or the child's individual family service plan.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.023, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **State Interagency Committee.** (a) The commissioner of education, on behalf of the governor, shall convene ~~a 19-member~~ an interagency committee to develop and implement a coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency intervention service system for children ages three to 21 with disabilities. The commissioners of commerce, education, health, human rights, human services, employment and economic development, and corrections shall each appoint two committee members from their departments; ~~the Association of Minnesota Counties shall appoint two county representatives, one of whom must be an elected official, as committee members;~~ and the Association of Minnesota Counties, Minnesota School Boards Association, the Minnesota Administrators of Special Education, and the School Nurse Association of Minnesota shall each appoint one committee member. The committee shall select a chair from among its members.

(b) The committee shall:

(1) identify and assist in removing state and federal barriers to local coordination of services provided to children with disabilities;

(2) identify adequate, equitable, and flexible funding sources to streamline these services;

(3) develop guidelines for implementing policies that ensure a comprehensive and coordinated system of all state and local agency services, including multidisciplinary assessment practices for children with disabilities ages three to 21; including:

~~(4)~~ (i) develop, consistent with federal law, a standardized written plan for providing services to a child with disabilities;

~~(5)~~ (ii) identify how current systems for dispute resolution can be coordinated ~~and develop guidelines for that coordination;~~

~~(6)~~ (iii) develop an evaluation process to measure the success of state and local interagency efforts in improving the quality and coordination of services to children with disabilities ages three to 21; and

~~(7)~~ (iv) develop guidelines to assist the governing boards of the interagency early intervention committees in carrying out the duties assigned in section 125A.027, subdivision 1, paragraph (b); and

~~(8)~~ (4) carry out other duties necessary to develop and implement within communities a coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency intervention service system for children with disabilities.

(c) The committee shall consult on an ongoing basis with the state Special Education Advisory Committee for Special Education Panel and the governor's Interagency Coordinating Council in carrying out its duties under this section, including assisting the governing boards of the interagency early intervention committees.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.027, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Additional duties.** (a) The governing boards of the interagency early intervention committees are responsible for developing and implementing interagency policies and procedures to coordinate services at the local level for children with disabilities ages three to 21 under guidelines established by the state interagency committee under section 125A.023, subdivision 4. Consistent with the requirements in this section and section 125A.023, the governing boards of the interagency early intervention committees ~~shall~~ may organize as a joint powers board under section 471.59 or enter into an interagency agreement that establishes a governance structure.

(b) The governing board of each interagency early intervention committee as defined in section 125A.30, paragraph (a), which may include a juvenile justice professional, shall:

(1) identify ~~and assist in removing~~ state and federal barriers to local coordination of services provided to children with disabilities;

(2) identify ~~adequate, equitable, and flexible use of funding by local agencies for these services;~~

~~(3) implement policies that ensure a comprehensive and coordinated system of all state and local agency services, including practices on multidisciplinary assessment practices, standardized written plans, dispute resolution, and system evaluation for children with disabilities ages three to 21;~~

~~(4) use a standardized written plan for providing services to a child with disabilities developed under section 125A.023;~~

~~(5) access the coordinated dispute resolution system and incorporate the guidelines for coordinating services at the local level, consistent with section 125A.023;~~

~~(6) use the evaluation process to measure the success of the local interagency effort in improving the quality and coordination of services to children with disabilities ages three to 21 consistent with section 125A.023;~~

~~(7) develop a transitional plan for children moving from the interagency early childhood intervention system under sections 125A.259 to 125A.48 into the interagency intervention service system under this section;~~

~~(8)~~ (3) coordinate services and facilitate payment for services from public and private institutions, agencies, and health plan companies; and

~~(9)~~ (4) share needed information consistent with state and federal data practices requirements.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.027, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Responsibilities of school and county boards.** (a) It is the joint responsibility of school and county boards to coordinate, provide, and pay for appropriate services, and to facilitate payment

for services from public and private sources. Appropriate service for children eligible under section 125A.02 and receiving service from two or more public agencies of which one is the public school must be determined in consultation with parents, physicians, and other education, medical health, and human services providers. The services provided must be in conformity with ~~an Individual Interagency Intervention Plan (HHP)~~ a standardized written plan for each eligible child ages 3 to 21.

(b) Appropriate services include those services listed on a child's HHP standardized written plan. These services are those that are required to be documented on a plan under federal and state law or rule.

(c) School and county boards shall coordinate interagency services. Service responsibilities for eligible children, ages 3 to 21, ~~shall~~ may be established in interagency agreements or joint powers board agreements. In addition, interagency agreements or joint powers board agreements ~~shall~~ may be developed to establish agency responsibility that assures that coordinated interagency services are coordinated, provided, and paid for, and that payment is facilitated from public and private sources. School boards must provide, pay for, and facilitate payment for special education services as required under sections 125A.03 and 125A.06. County boards must provide, pay for, and facilitate payment for those programs over which they have service and fiscal responsibility as referenced in section 125A.023, subdivision 3, paragraph ~~(d)~~ (c), clause (1).

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.03, is amended to read:

**125A.03 SPECIAL INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN WITH A DISABILITY.**

(a) As defined in paragraph (b), every district must provide special instruction and services, either within the district or in another district, for all children with a disability, including providing required services under Code of Federal Regulations, title 34, section 300.121, paragraph (d), to those children suspended or expelled from school for more than ten school days in that school year, who are residents of the district and who are disabled as set forth in section 125A.02. For purposes of state and federal special education laws, the phrase "special instruction and services" in the state Education Code means a free and appropriate public education provided to an eligible child with disabilities ~~and includes special education and related services defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, subpart A, section 300.24.~~ "Free appropriate public education" means special education and related services that:

- (1) are provided at public expense, under public supervision and direction, and without charge;
- (2) meet the standards of the state, including the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B or C;
- (3) include an appropriate preschool, elementary school, or secondary school education; and
- (4) are provided to children ages three through 21 in conformity with an individualized education program that meets the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, subpart A, sections 300.320 to 300.324, and provided to infants and toddlers in conformity with an individualized family service plan that meets the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, subpart A, sections 303.300 to 303.346.

~~(b) Notwithstanding any age limits in laws to the contrary, special instruction and services must be provided from birth until July 1 after the child with a disability becomes 21 years old but shall not extend beyond secondary school or its equivalent, except as provided in section 124D.68;~~

~~subdivision 2.~~ Local health, education, and social service agencies must refer children under age five who are known to need or suspected of needing special instruction and services to the school district. Districts with less than the minimum number of eligible children with a disability as determined by the commissioner must cooperate with other districts to maintain a full range of programs for education and services for children with a disability. This section does not alter the compulsory attendance requirements of section 120A.22.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.08, is amended to read:

**125A.08 INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAMS.**

(a) At the beginning of each school year, each school district shall have in effect, for each child with a disability, an individualized education program.

(b) As defined in this section, every district must ensure the following:

(1) all students with disabilities are provided the special instruction and services which are appropriate to their needs. Where the individualized education program team has determined appropriate goals and objectives based on the student's needs, including the extent to which the student can be included in the least restrictive environment, and where there are essentially equivalent and effective instruction, related services, or assistive technology devices available to meet the student's needs, cost to the district may be among the factors considered by the team in choosing how to provide the appropriate services, instruction, or devices that are to be made part of the student's individualized education program. The individualized education program team shall consider and may authorize services covered by medical assistance according to section 256B.0625, subdivision 26. The student's needs and the special education instruction and services to be provided must be agreed upon through the development of an individualized education program. The program must address the student's need to develop skills to live and work as independently as possible within the community. The individualized education program team must consider positive behavioral interventions, strategies, and supports that address behavior for children with attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. During grade 9, the program must address the student's needs for transition from secondary services to postsecondary education and training, employment, community participation, recreation, and leisure and home living. In developing the program, districts must inform parents of the full range of transitional goals and related services that should be considered. The program must include a statement of the needed transition services, including a statement of the interagency responsibilities or linkages or both before secondary services are concluded;

(2) children with a disability under age five and their families are provided special instruction and services appropriate to the child's level of functioning and needs;

(3) children with a disability and their parents or guardians are guaranteed procedural safeguards and the right to participate in decisions involving identification, assessment including assistive technology assessment, and educational placement of children with a disability;

(4) eligibility and needs of children with a disability are determined by an initial ~~assessment or reassessment~~ evaluation or reevaluation, which may be completed using existing data under United States Code, title 20, section 33, et seq.;

(5) to the maximum extent appropriate, children with a disability, including those in public or private institutions or other care facilities, are educated with children who are not disabled, and



that special classes, separate schooling, or other removal of children with a disability from the regular educational environment occurs only when and to the extent that the nature or severity of the disability is such that education in regular classes with the use of supplementary services cannot be achieved satisfactorily;

(6) in accordance with recognized professional standards, testing and evaluation materials, and procedures used for the purposes of classification and placement of children with a disability are selected and administered so as not to be racially or culturally discriminatory; and

(7) the rights of the child are protected when the parents or guardians are not known or not available, or the child is a ward of the state.

(c) For paraprofessionals employed to work in programs for students with disabilities, the school board in each district shall ensure that:

(1) before or immediately upon employment, each paraprofessional develops sufficient knowledge and skills in emergency procedures, building orientation, roles and responsibilities, confidentiality, vulnerability, and reportability, among other things, to begin meeting the needs of the students with whom the paraprofessional works;

(2) annual training opportunities are available to enable the paraprofessional to continue to further develop the knowledge and skills that are specific to the students with whom the paraprofessional works, including understanding disabilities, following lesson plans, and implementing follow-up instructional procedures and activities; and

(3) a districtwide process obligates each paraprofessional to work under the ongoing direction of a licensed teacher and, where appropriate and possible, the supervision of a school nurse.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 125A.0942, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Restrictive procedures.** (a) Restrictive procedures may be used only by a licensed special education teacher, school social worker, school psychologist, behavior analyst certified by the National Behavior Analyst Certification Board, a person with a master's degree in behavior analysis, other licensed education professional, paraprofessional under section 120B.363, or mental health professional under section 245.4871, subdivision 27, who has completed the training program under subdivision 5.

(b) A school shall make reasonable efforts to notify the parent on the same day a restrictive procedure is used on the child, or if the school is unable to provide same-day notice, notice is sent within two days by written or electronic means or as otherwise indicated by the child's parent under paragraph ~~(d)~~ (f).

(c) The district must hold a meeting of the individualized education program team, conduct or review a functional behavioral analysis, review data, consider developing additional or revised positive behavioral interventions and supports, consider actions to reduce the use of restrictive procedures, and modify the individualized education program or behavior intervention plan as appropriate. The district must hold the meeting: within ten calendar days after district staff use restrictive procedures on two separate school days within 30 calendar days or a pattern of use emerges and the child's individualized education program or behavior intervention plan does not

provide for using restrictive procedures in an emergency; or at the request of a parent or the district after restrictive procedures are used. The district must review use of restrictive procedures at a child's annual individualized education program meeting when the child's individualized education program provides for using restrictive procedures in an emergency.

(d) If the individualized education program team under paragraph (c) determines that existing interventions and supports are ineffective in reducing the use of restrictive procedures or the district uses restrictive procedures on a child on ten or more school days during the same school year, the team, as appropriate, either must consult with other professionals working with the child; consult with experts in behavior analysis, mental health, communication, or autism; consult with culturally competent professionals; review existing evaluations, resources, and successful strategies; or consider whether to reevaluate the child.

(e) At the individualized education program meeting under paragraph (c), the team must review any known medical or psychological limitations, including any medical information the parent provides voluntarily, that contraindicate the use of a restrictive procedure, consider whether to prohibit that restrictive procedure, and document any prohibition in the individualized education program or behavior intervention plan.

(f) An individualized education program team may plan for using restrictive procedures and may include these procedures in a child's individualized education program or behavior intervention plan; however, the restrictive procedures may be used only in response to behavior that constitutes an emergency, consistent with this section. The individualized education program or behavior intervention plan shall indicate how the parent wants to be notified when a restrictive procedure is used.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.22, is amended to read:

**125A.22 COMMUNITY TRANSITION INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE.**

A district, group of districts, or special education cooperative, in cooperation with the county or counties in which the district or cooperative is located, ~~must~~ may establish a community transition interagency committee for youth with disabilities, beginning at grade 9 or age equivalent, and their families. Members of the committee ~~must consist of~~ may include representatives from special education, vocational and regular education, community education, postsecondary education and training institutions, mental health, adults with disabilities who have received transition services if such persons are available, parents of youth with disabilities, local business or industry, rehabilitation services, county social services, health agencies, and additional public or private adult service providers as appropriate. ~~The committee must elect a chair and must meet regularly.~~ The committee ~~must~~ may:

(1) identify current services, programs, and funding sources provided within the community for secondary and postsecondary aged youth with disabilities and their families that prepare them for further education; employment, including integrated competitive employment; and independent living;

(2) facilitate the development of multiagency teams to address present and future transition needs of individual students on their individualized education programs;

(3) develop a community plan to include mission, goals, and objectives, and an implementation plan to assure that transition needs of individuals with disabilities are met;

(4) recommend changes or improvements in the community system of transition services; and

(5) exchange agency information such as appropriate data, effectiveness studies, special projects, exemplary programs, and creative funding of programs; and

~~(6) following procedures determined by the commissioner, prepare a yearly summary assessing the progress of transition services in the community including follow-up of individuals with disabilities who were provided transition services to determine postschool outcomes. The summary must be disseminated to all adult services agencies involved in the planning and to the commissioner by October 1 of each year.~~

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 125A.30, is amended to read:

**125A.30 INTERAGENCY EARLY INTERVENTION COMMITTEES.**

(a) ~~A school district, group of school districts; or special education cooperative cooperatives,~~ in cooperation with the health and human service agencies located in the county or counties in which the ~~district districts or cooperative is cooperatives~~ are located, must establish an Interagency Early Intervention Committee for children with disabilities under age five and their families under this section, and for children with disabilities ages three to 22 consistent with the requirements under sections 125A.023 and 125A.027. Committees must include representatives of local health, education, and county human service agencies, ~~county boards, school boards;~~ early childhood family education programs, Head Start, parents of young children with disabilities under age 12, child care resource and referral agencies, school readiness programs, current service providers, and agencies that serve families experiencing homelessness, and may also include representatives from other private or public agencies and school nurses. The committee must elect a chair from among its members and must meet at least quarterly.

(b) The committee must develop and implement interagency policies and procedures concerning the following ongoing duties:

(1) develop public awareness systems designed to inform potential recipient families, especially parents with premature infants, or infants with other physical risk factors associated with learning or development complications, of available programs and services;

(2) to reduce families' need for future services, and especially parents with premature infants, or infants with other physical risk factors associated with learning or development complications, implement interagency child find systems designed to actively seek out, identify, and refer infants and young children with, or at risk of, disabilities, including a child under the age of three who: (i) is the subject of a substantiated case of abuse or neglect or (ii) is identified as directly affected by illegal substance abuse, or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure;

~~(3) establish and evaluate the identification, referral, screening, evaluation, child- and family-directed assessment systems, procedural safeguard process, and community learning systems to recommend, where necessary, alterations and improvements;~~

~~(4) assure the development of individualized family service plans for all eligible infants and toddlers with disabilities from birth through age two, and their families, and individualized education programs and individual service plans when necessary to appropriately serve children~~

~~with disabilities, age three and older, and their families and recommend assignment of financial responsibilities to the appropriate agencies;~~

~~(5) (3) implement a process for assuring that services involve cooperating agencies at all steps leading to individualized programs;~~

~~(6) facilitate the development of a transition plan in the individual family service plan by the time a child is two years and nine months old;~~

~~(7) (4) identify the current services and funding being provided within the community for children with disabilities under age five and their families; and~~

~~(8) (5) develop a plan for the allocation and expenditure of federal early intervention funds under United States Code, title 20, section 1471 et seq. (Part C, Public Law 108-446) and United States Code, title 20, section 631, et seq. (Chapter I, Public Law 89-313); and~~

~~(9) develop a policy that is consistent with section 13.05, subdivision 9, and federal law to enable a member of an interagency early intervention committee to allow another member access to data classified as not public.~~

(c) The local committee shall also participate in needs assessments and program planning activities conducted by local social service, health and education agencies for young children with disabilities and their families.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 127A.065, is amended to read:

**127A.065 CROSS-SUBSIDY REPORT.**

By ~~January 10~~ March 30, the commissioner of education shall submit an annual report to the legislative committees having jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education on the amount each district is cross-subsidizing special education costs with general education revenue.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 260D.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Agency report to court; court review.** The agency shall obtain judicial review by reporting to the court according to the following procedures:

(a) A written report shall be forwarded to the court within 165 days of the date of the voluntary placement agreement. The written report shall contain or have attached:

(1) a statement of facts that necessitate the child's foster care placement;

(2) the child's name, date of birth, race, gender, and current address;

(3) the names, race, date of birth, residence, and post office addresses of the child's parents or legal custodian;

(4) a statement regarding the child's eligibility for membership or enrollment in an Indian tribe and the agency's compliance with applicable provisions of sections 260.751 to 260.835;

(5) the names and addresses of the foster parents or chief administrator of the facility in which the child is placed, if the child is not in a family foster home or group home;

(6) a copy of the out-of-home placement plan required under section 260C.212, subdivision 1;

(7) a written summary of the proceedings of any administrative review required under section 260C.203; and

(8) any other information the agency, parent or legal custodian, the child or the foster parent, or other residential facility wants the court to consider.

(b) In the case of a child in placement due to emotional disturbance, the written report shall include as an attachment, the child's individual treatment plan developed by the child's treatment professional, as provided in section 245.4871, subdivision 21, or the child's ~~individual interagency intervention~~ standard written plan, as provided in section 125A.023, subdivision 3, paragraph (c) (e).

(c) In the case of a child in placement due to developmental disability or a related condition, the written report shall include as an attachment, the child's individual service plan, as provided in section 256B.092, subdivision 1b; the child's individual program plan, as provided in Minnesota Rules, part 9525.0004, subpart 11; the child's waiver care plan; or the child's ~~individual interagency intervention~~ standard written plan, as provided in section 125A.023, subdivision 3, paragraph (c) (e).

(d) The agency must inform the child, age 12 or older, the child's parent, and the foster parent or foster care facility of the reporting and court review requirements of this section and of their right to submit information to the court:

(1) if the child or the child's parent or the foster care provider wants to send information to the court, the agency shall advise those persons of the reporting date and the date by which the agency must receive the information they want forwarded to the court so the agency is timely able submit it with the agency's report required under this subdivision;

(2) the agency must also inform the child, age 12 or older, the child's parent, and the foster care facility that they have the right to be heard in person by the court and how to exercise that right;

(3) the agency must also inform the child, age 12 or older, the child's parent, and the foster care provider that an in-court hearing will be held if requested by the child, the parent, or the foster care provider; and

(4) if, at the time required for the report under this section, a child, age 12 or older, disagrees about the foster care facility or services provided under the out-of-home placement plan required under section 260C.212, subdivision 1, the agency shall include information regarding the child's disagreement, and to the extent possible, the basis for the child's disagreement in the report required under this section.

(e) After receiving the required report, the court has jurisdiction to make the following determinations and must do so within ten days of receiving the forwarded report, whether a hearing is requested:

(1) whether the voluntary foster care arrangement is in the child's best interests;

(2) whether the parent and agency are appropriately planning for the child; and

(3) in the case of a child age 12 or older, who disagrees with the foster care facility or services provided under the out-of-home placement plan, whether it is appropriate to appoint counsel and a guardian ad litem for the child using standards and procedures under section 260C.163.

(f) Unless requested by a parent, representative of the foster care facility, or the child, no in-court hearing is required in order for the court to make findings and issue an order as required in paragraph (e).

(g) If the court finds the voluntary foster care arrangement is in the child's best interests and that the agency and parent are appropriately planning for the child, the court shall issue an order containing explicit, individualized findings to support its determination. The individualized findings shall be based on the agency's written report and other materials submitted to the court. The court may make this determination notwithstanding the child's disagreement, if any, reported under paragraph (d).

(h) The court shall send a copy of the order to the county attorney, the agency, parent, child, age 12 or older, and the foster parent or foster care facility.

(i) The court shall also send the parent, the child, age 12 or older, the foster parent, or representative of the foster care facility notice of the permanency review hearing required under section 260D.07, paragraph (e).

(j) If the court finds continuing the voluntary foster care arrangement is not in the child's best interests or that the agency or the parent are not appropriately planning for the child, the court shall notify the agency, the parent, the foster parent or foster care facility, the child, age 12 or older, and the county attorney of the court's determinations and the basis for the court's determinations. In this case, the court shall set the matter for hearing and appoint a guardian ad litem for the child under section 260C.163, subdivision 5.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 626.556, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings given them unless the specific content indicates otherwise:

(a) "Family assessment" means a comprehensive assessment of child safety, risk of subsequent child maltreatment, and family strengths and needs that is applied to a child maltreatment report that does not allege substantial child endangerment. Family assessment does not include a determination as to whether child maltreatment occurred but does determine the need for services to address the safety of family members and the risk of subsequent maltreatment.

(b) "Investigation" means fact gathering related to the current safety of a child and the risk of subsequent maltreatment that determines whether child maltreatment occurred and whether child protective services are needed. An investigation must be used when reports involve substantial child endangerment, and for reports of maltreatment in facilities required to be licensed under chapter 245A or 245B; under sections 144.50 to 144.58 and 241.021; in a school as defined in sections 120A.05, subdivisions 9, 11, and 13, and 124D.10; or in a nonlicensed personal care provider association as defined in sections 256B.04, subdivision 16, and 256B.0625, subdivision 19a.

(c) "Substantial child endangerment" means a person responsible for a child's care, and in the case of sexual abuse includes a person who has a significant relationship to the child as defined in section 609.341, or a person in a position of authority as defined in section 609.341, who by act or omission commits or attempts to commit an act against a child under their care that constitutes any of the following:

- (1) egregious harm as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 14;
- (2) sexual abuse as defined in paragraph (d);
- (3) abandonment under section 260C.301, subdivision 2;
- (4) neglect as defined in paragraph (f), clause (2), that substantially endangers the child's physical or mental health, including a growth delay, which may be referred to as failure to thrive, that has been diagnosed by a physician and is due to parental neglect;
- (5) murder in the first, second, or third degree under section 609.185, 609.19, or 609.195;
- (6) manslaughter in the first or second degree under section 609.20 or 609.205;
- (7) assault in the first, second, or third degree under section 609.221, 609.222, or 609.223;
- (8) solicitation, inducement, and promotion of prostitution under section 609.322;
- (9) criminal sexual conduct under sections 609.342 to 609.3451;
- (10) solicitation of children to engage in sexual conduct under section 609.352;
- (11) malicious punishment or neglect or endangerment of a child under section 609.377 or 609.378;
- (12) use of a minor in sexual performance under section 617.246; or
- (13) parental behavior, status, or condition which mandates that the county attorney file a termination of parental rights petition under section 260C.503, subdivision 2.

(d) "Sexual abuse" means the subjection of a child by a person responsible for the child's care, by a person who has a significant relationship to the child, as defined in section 609.341, or by a person in a position of authority, as defined in section 609.341, subdivision 10, to any act which constitutes a violation of section 609.342 (criminal sexual conduct in the first degree), 609.343 (criminal sexual conduct in the second degree), 609.344 (criminal sexual conduct in the third degree), 609.345 (criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree), or 609.3451 (criminal sexual conduct in the fifth degree). Sexual abuse also includes any act which involves a minor which constitutes a violation of prostitution offenses under sections 609.321 to 609.324 or 617.246. Sexual abuse includes threatened sexual abuse which includes the status of a parent or household member who has committed a violation which requires registration as an offender under section 243.166, subdivision 1b, paragraph (a) or (b), or required registration under section 243.166, subdivision 1b, paragraph (a) or (b).

(e) "Person responsible for the child's care" means (1) an individual functioning within the family unit and having responsibilities for the care of the child such as a parent, guardian, or other person having similar care responsibilities, or (2) an individual functioning outside the family unit and having responsibilities for the care of the child such as a teacher, school administrator, other school employees or agents, or other lawful custodian of a child having either full-time or short-term care responsibilities including, but not limited to, day care, babysitting whether paid or unpaid, counseling, teaching, and coaching.

(f) "Neglect" means the commission or omission of any of the acts specified under clauses (1) to (9), other than by accidental means:

(1) failure by a person responsible for a child's care to supply a child with necessary food, clothing, shelter, health, medical, or other care required for the child's physical or mental health when reasonably able to do so;

(2) failure to protect a child from conditions or actions that seriously endanger the child's physical or mental health when reasonably able to do so, including a growth delay, which may be referred to as a failure to thrive, that has been diagnosed by a physician and is due to parental neglect;

(3) failure to provide for necessary supervision or child care arrangements appropriate for a child after considering factors as the child's age, mental ability, physical condition, length of absence, or environment, when the child is unable to care for the child's own basic needs or safety, or the basic needs or safety of another child in their care;

(4) failure to ensure that the child is educated as defined in sections 120A.22 and 260C.163, subdivision 11, which does not include a parent's refusal to provide the parent's child with sympathomimetic medications, consistent with section 125A.091, subdivision 5;

(5) nothing in this section shall be construed to mean that a child is neglected solely because the child's parent, guardian, or other person responsible for the child's care in good faith selects and depends upon spiritual means or prayer for treatment or care of disease or remedial care of the child in lieu of medical care; except that a parent, guardian, or caretaker, or a person mandated to report pursuant to subdivision 3, has a duty to report if a lack of medical care may cause serious danger to the child's health. This section does not impose upon persons, not otherwise legally responsible for providing a child with necessary food, clothing, shelter, education, or medical care, a duty to provide that care;

(6) prenatal exposure to a controlled substance, as defined in section 253B.02, subdivision 2, used by the mother for a nonmedical purpose, as evidenced by withdrawal symptoms in the child at birth, results of a toxicology test performed on the mother at delivery or the child at birth, medical effects or developmental delays during the child's first year of life that medically indicate prenatal exposure to a controlled substance, or the presence of a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder;

(7) "medical neglect" as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 6, clause (5);

(8) chronic and severe use of alcohol or a controlled substance by a parent or person responsible for the care of the child that adversely affects the child's basic needs and safety; or

(9) emotional harm from a pattern of behavior which contributes to impaired emotional functioning of the child which may be demonstrated by a substantial and observable effect in the child's behavior, emotional response, or cognition that is not within the normal range for the child's age and stage of development, with due regard to the child's culture.

(g) "Physical abuse" means any physical injury, mental injury, or threatened injury, inflicted by a person responsible for the child's care on a child other than by accidental means, or any physical or mental injury that cannot reasonably be explained by the child's history of injuries, or any aversive or deprivation procedures, or regulated interventions, that have not been authorized under section ~~121A.67~~ 125A.0942 or 245.825.

Abuse does not include reasonable and moderate physical discipline of a child administered by a parent or legal guardian which does not result in an injury. Abuse does not include the use of reasonable force by a teacher, principal, or school employee as allowed by section 121A.582.



Actions which are not reasonable and moderate include, but are not limited to, any of the following that are done in anger or without regard to the safety of the child:

- (1) throwing, kicking, burning, biting, or cutting a child;
  - (2) striking a child with a closed fist;
  - (3) shaking a child under age three;
  - (4) striking or other actions which result in any nonaccidental injury to a child under 18 months of age;
  - (5) unreasonable interference with a child's breathing;
  - (6) threatening a child with a weapon, as defined in section 609.02, subdivision 6;
  - (7) striking a child under age one on the face or head;
  - (8) purposely giving a child poison, alcohol, or dangerous, harmful, or controlled substances which were not prescribed for the child by a practitioner, in order to control or punish the child; or other substances that substantially affect the child's behavior, motor coordination, or judgment or that results in sickness or internal injury, or subjects the child to medical procedures that would be unnecessary if the child were not exposed to the substances;
  - (9) unreasonable physical confinement or restraint not permitted under section 609.379, including but not limited to tying, caging, or chaining;
  - (10) in a school facility or school zone, an act by a person responsible for the child's care that is a violation under section 121A.58.
- (h) "Report" means any report received by the local welfare agency, police department, county sheriff, or agency responsible for assessing or investigating maltreatment pursuant to this section.
- (i) "Facility" means:
- (1) a licensed or unlicensed day care facility, residential facility, agency, hospital, sanitarium, or other facility or institution required to be licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.58, 241.021, or 245A.01 to 245A.16, or chapter 245D;
  - (2) a school as defined in sections 120A.05, subdivisions 9, 11, and 13; and 124D.10; or
  - (3) a nonlicensed personal care provider organization as defined in sections 256B.04, subdivision 16, and 256B.0625, subdivision 19a.
- (j) "Operator" means an operator or agency as defined in section 245A.02.
- (k) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of human services.
- (l) "Practice of social services," for the purposes of subdivision 3, includes but is not limited to employee assistance counseling and the provision of guardian ad litem and parenting time expeditor services.
- (m) "Mental injury" means an injury to the psychological capacity or emotional stability of a child as evidenced by an observable or substantial impairment in the child's ability to function within a normal range of performance and behavior with due regard to the child's culture.

(n) "Threatened injury" means a statement, overt act, condition, or status that represents a substantial risk of physical or sexual abuse or mental injury. Threatened injury includes, but is not limited to, exposing a child to a person responsible for the child's care, as defined in paragraph (e), clause (1), who has:

(1) subjected a child to, or failed to protect a child from, an overt act or condition that constitutes egregious harm, as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 14, or a similar law of another jurisdiction;

(2) been found to be palpably unfit under section 260C.301, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), clause (4), or a similar law of another jurisdiction;

(3) committed an act that has resulted in an involuntary termination of parental rights under section 260C.301, or a similar law of another jurisdiction; or

(4) committed an act that has resulted in the involuntary transfer of permanent legal and physical custody of a child to a relative under Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 260C.201, subdivision 11, paragraph (d), clause (1), section 260C.515, subdivision 4, or a similar law of another jurisdiction.

A child is the subject of a report of threatened injury when the responsible social services agency receives birth match data under paragraph (o) from the Department of Human Services.

(o) Upon receiving data under section 144.225, subdivision 2b, contained in a birth record or recognition of parentage identifying a child who is subject to threatened injury under paragraph (n), the Department of Human Services shall send the data to the responsible social services agency. The data is known as "birth match" data. Unless the responsible social services agency has already begun an investigation or assessment of the report due to the birth of the child or execution of the recognition of parentage and the parent's previous history with child protection, the agency shall accept the birth match data as a report under this section. The agency may use either a family assessment or investigation to determine whether the child is safe. All of the provisions of this section apply. If the child is determined to be safe, the agency shall consult with the county attorney to determine the appropriateness of filing a petition alleging the child is in need of protection or services under section 260C.007, subdivision 6, clause (16), in order to deliver needed services. If the child is determined not to be safe, the agency and the county attorney shall take appropriate action as required under section 260C.503, subdivision 2.

(p) Persons who conduct assessments or investigations under this section shall take into account accepted child-rearing practices of the culture in which a child participates and accepted teacher discipline practices, which are not injurious to the child's health, welfare, and safety.

(q) "Accidental" means a sudden, not reasonably foreseeable, and unexpected occurrence or event which:

(1) is not likely to occur and could not have been prevented by exercise of due care; and

(2) if occurring while a child is receiving services from a facility, happens when the facility and the employee or person providing services in the facility are in compliance with the laws and rules relevant to the occurrence or event.

(r) "Nonmaltreatment mistake" means:

(1) at the time of the incident, the individual was performing duties identified in the center's child care program plan required under Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0045;

(2) the individual has not been determined responsible for a similar incident that resulted in a finding of maltreatment for at least seven years;

(3) the individual has not been determined to have committed a similar nonmaltreatment mistake under this paragraph for at least four years;

(4) any injury to a child resulting from the incident, if treated, is treated only with remedies that are available over the counter, whether ordered by a medical professional or not; and

(5) except for the period when the incident occurred, the facility and the individual providing services were both in compliance with all licensing requirements relevant to the incident.

This definition only applies to child care centers licensed under Minnesota Rules, chapter 9503. If clauses (1) to (5) apply, rather than making a determination of substantiated maltreatment by the individual, the commissioner of human services shall determine that a nonmaltreatment mistake was made by the individual.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

**Sec. 14. RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; SPECIAL EDUCATION TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS.**

The commissioner of education must use the expedited rulemaking process under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.389, to make the rule changes recommended by the Special Education Case Load and Rule Alignment Task Force in its 2014 report entitled "Recommendations for Special Education Case Load and Rule Alignment" submitted to the legislature on February 15, 2014.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

**Sec. 15. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 125A.027, subdivision 3, is repealed.

## ARTICLE 4

### NUTRITION

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.111, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **School food service fund.** (a) The expenses described in this subdivision must be recorded as provided in this subdivision.

(b) In each district, the expenses for a school food service program for pupils must be attributed to a school food service fund. Under a food service program, the school food service may prepare or serve milk, meals, or snacks in connection with school or community service activities.

(c) Revenues and expenditures for food service activities must be recorded in the food service fund. The costs of processing applications, accounting for meals, preparing and serving food, providing kitchen custodial services, and other expenses involving the preparing of meals or the kitchen section of the lunchroom may be charged to the food service fund or to the general fund of

the district. The costs of lunchroom supervision, lunchroom custodial services, lunchroom utilities, and other administrative costs of the food service program must be charged to the general fund.

That portion of superintendent and fiscal manager costs that can be documented as attributable to the food service program may be charged to the food service fund provided that the school district does not employ or contract with a food service director or other individual who manages the food service program, or food service management company. If the cost of the superintendent or fiscal manager is charged to the food service fund, the charge must be at a wage rate not to exceed the statewide average for food service directors as determined by the department.

(d) Capital expenditures for the purchase of food service equipment must be made from the general fund and not the food service fund, unless the ~~unreserved~~ restricted balance in the food service fund at the end of the last fiscal year is greater than the cost of the equipment to be purchased.

(e) If the condition set out in paragraph (d) applies, the equipment may be purchased from the food service fund.

(f) If a deficit in the food service fund exists at the end of a fiscal year, and the deficit is not eliminated by revenues from food service operations in the next fiscal year, then the deficit must be eliminated by a permanent fund transfer from the general fund at the end of that second fiscal year. However, if a district contracts with a food service management company during the period in which the deficit has accrued, the deficit must be eliminated by a payment from the food service management company.

(g) Notwithstanding paragraph (f), a district may incur a deficit in the food service fund for up to three years without making the permanent transfer if the district submits to the commissioner by January 1 of the second fiscal year a plan for eliminating that deficit at the end of the third fiscal year.

(h) If a surplus in the food service fund exists at the end of a fiscal year for three successive years, a district may recode for that fiscal year the costs of lunchroom supervision, lunchroom custodial services, lunchroom utilities, and other administrative costs of the food service program charged to the general fund according to paragraph (c) and charge those costs to the food service fund in a total amount not to exceed the amount of surplus in the food service fund.

## Sec. 2. [124D.1191] DONATIONS TO FOOD SHELF PROGRAMS.

Schools and community organizations participating in any federal child nutrition meal program may donate unused food to food shelf programs, provided that the food shelf:

(1) is a nonprofit corporation or is affiliated with a nonprofit corporation, as defined in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

(2) distributes food without charge to needy individuals;

(3) does not limit food distributions to individuals of a particular religious affiliation, race, or other criteria unrelated to need; and

(4) has a stable address and directly serves individuals.

**ARTICLE 5****EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, SELF-SUFFICIENCY, AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123A.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **People to be served.** A state-approved alternative program shall provide programs for secondary pupils ~~and adults~~. A center may also provide programs and services for elementary and secondary pupils who are not attending the state-approved alternative program to assist them in being successful in school. A center shall use research-based best practices for serving English learners and their parents. An individualized education program team may identify a state-approved alternative program as an appropriate placement to the extent a state-approved alternative program can provide the student with the appropriate special education services described in the student's plan. Pupils eligible to be served are those who qualify under the graduation incentives program in section 124D.68, subdivision 2, those enrolled under section 124D.02, subdivision 2, or those pupils who are eligible to receive special education services under sections 125A.03 to 125A.24, and 125A.65.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Family eligibility.** (a) For a family to receive an early ~~childhood education~~ learning scholarship, parents or guardians must meet the following eligibility requirements:

(1) have a child three or four years of age on September 1 of the current school year, who has not yet started kindergarten; and

(2) have income equal to or less than 185 percent of federal poverty level income in the current calendar year, or be able to document their child's current participation in the free and reduced-price lunch program or child and adult care food program, National School Lunch Act, United States Code, title 42, sections 1751 and 1766; the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, Food and Nutrition Act, United States Code, title 7, sections 2011-2036; Head Start under the federal Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007; Minnesota family investment program under chapter 256J; child care assistance programs under chapter 119B; the supplemental nutrition assistance program; or placement in foster care under section 260C.212.

(b) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, a parent under age 21 who is pursuing a high school or general education equivalency diploma is eligible for an early learning scholarship if the parent has a child age zero to five years old and meets the income eligibility guidelines in this subdivision.

(c) Any siblings between the ages zero to five years old of a child who has been awarded a scholarship under this section must be awarded a scholarship upon request, provided the sibling attends the same program as long as funds are available.

(d) A child who has received a scholarship under this section must continue to receive a scholarship each year until that child is eligible for kindergarten under section 120A.20 and as long as funds are available.

(e) Early learning scholarships may not be counted as earned income for the purposes of medical assistance under chapter 256B, MinnesotaCare under chapter 256L, Minnesota family investment

program under chapter 256J, child care assistance programs under chapter 119B, or Head Start under the federal Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Early childhood program eligibility.** (a) In order to be eligible to accept an early ~~childhood education~~ learning scholarship, a program must:

(1) participate in the quality rating and improvement system under section 124D.142; and

(2) beginning July 1, 2016, have a three- or four-star rating in the quality rating and improvement system.

(b) Any program accepting scholarships must use the revenue to supplement and not supplant federal funding.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 124D.165, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Report required.** The commissioner shall contract with an independent contractor to evaluate the early learning scholarship program. The evaluation must include recommendations regarding the appropriate scholarship amount, efficiency, and effectiveness of the administration, and impact on kindergarten readiness and student outcomes by program setting, including Head Start programs, school-based prekindergarten and preschool programs, and other early education and child care programs. The report must also include the number of scholarship recipients in school-based, home-based, and center-based programs as well as a geographic summary of scholarship recipients by county. By January 15, 2016, the commissioner shall submit a written copy of the evaluation to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with primary jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education.

## ARTICLE 6

### LIBRARIES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 134.355, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Eligibility.** A regional public library system may apply for regional library telecommunications aid. The aid must be used for data and video access maintenance, equipment, or installation of telecommunication lines. To be eligible, a regional public library system must be officially designated by the commissioner of education as a regional public library system as defined in section 134.34, subdivision 3, and each of its participating cities and counties must meet local support levels defined in section 134.34, subdivision 1. A public library building that receives aid under this section must be open a minimum of 20 hours per week. Exceptions to the minimum open hours requirement may be granted by the Department of Education on request of the regional public library system for the following circumstances: short-term closing for emergency maintenance and repairs following a natural disaster; in response to exceptional economic circumstances; building repair or maintenance that requires public services areas to be closed; or to adjust hours of public service to respond to documented seasonal use patterns.

**ARTICLE 7****ENGLISH LEARNERS**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 119A.50, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Early childhood literacy programs.** (a) A research-based early childhood literacy program premised on actively involved parents, ongoing professional staff development, and high quality early literacy program standards is established to increase the literacy skills of children participating in Head Start to prepare them to be successful readers and to increase families' participation in providing early literacy experiences to their children. Program providers must:

- (1) work to prepare children to be successful learners;
- (2) work to close the achievement gap for at-risk children;
- (3) use ~~an~~ a culturally relevant integrated approach to early literacy that daily offers a literacy-rich classroom learning environment composed of books, writing materials, writing centers, labels, rhyming, and other related literacy materials and opportunities;
- (4) support children's home language while helping the children master English and use multiple literacy strategies to provide a cultural bridge between home and school;
- (5) use literacy mentors, ongoing literacy groups, and other teachers and staff to provide appropriate, extensive professional development opportunities in early literacy and classroom strategies for preschool teachers and other preschool staff;
- (6) use ongoing data-based assessments that enable preschool teachers to understand, plan, and implement literacy strategies, activities, and curriculum that meet children's literacy needs and continuously improve children's literacy; ~~and~~
- (7) foster participation by parents, community stakeholders, literacy advisors, and evaluation specialists; and
- (8) provide parents of English learners with oral and written information to monitor the program's impact on their children's English language development, to know whether their children are progressing in developing their English proficiency and, where practicable, their native language proficiency, and to actively engage with their children in developing their English and native language proficiency.

Program providers are encouraged to collaborate with qualified, community-based early childhood providers in implementing this program and to seek nonstate funds to supplement the program.

(b) Program providers under paragraph (a) interested in extending literacy programs to children in kindergarten through grade 3 may elect to form a partnership with an eligible organization under section 124D.38, subdivision 2, or 124D.42, subdivision 6, clause (3), schools enrolling children in kindergarten through grade 3, and other interested and qualified community-based entities to provide ongoing literacy programs that offer seamless literacy instruction focused on closing the literacy achievement gap. To close the literacy achievement gap by the end of third grade, partnership members must agree to use best efforts and practices and to work collaboratively to implement a seamless literacy model from age three to grade 3, consistent with paragraph (a). Literacy programs under this paragraph must collect and use literacy data to:

- (1) evaluate children's literacy skills; **and**
- (2) monitor the progress and provide reading instruction appropriate to the specific needs of English learners; and
- (3) formulate specific intervention strategies to provide reading instruction to children premised on the outcomes of formative and summative assessments and research-based indicators of literacy development.

The literacy programs under this paragraph also must train teachers and other providers working with children to use the assessment outcomes under clause (2) to develop and use effective, long-term literacy coaching models that are specific to the program providers.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.11, is amended to read:

**120B.11 SCHOOL DISTRICT PROCESS FOR REVIEWING CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT; STRIVING FOR THE WORLD'S BEST WORKFORCE.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section and section 120B.10, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(a) "Instruction" means methods of providing learning experiences that enable ~~a student~~ students to meet state and district academic standards and graduation requirements, including providing English learners with appropriate, full, effective, and meaningful access to regular classroom instruction in core curriculum.

(b) "Curriculum" means district or school adopted programs and written plans for providing students with learning experiences that lead to expected knowledge and skills and career and college readiness.

(c) "World's best workforce" means striving to: meet school readiness goals; have all third grade students achieve grade-level literacy; close the academic achievement gap among all racial and ethnic groups of students and between students living in poverty and students not living in poverty; ensure all English learners have the appropriate English learner instruction and content area support to achieve academic language proficiency, including oral academic language proficiency, in English and are taught the same state and local academic standards as native English-speaking students; have all students attain career and college readiness before graduating from high school; and have all students graduate from high school.

(d) "Cultural competence," "cultural competency," or "culturally competent" means the ability and will to interact effectively with people of different cultures, native languages, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Subd. 1a. **Performance measures.** (a) Measures to determine school district and school site progress in striving to create the world's best workforce must include at least:

- (1) student performance on the National ~~Association~~ Assessment of Education Progress;
- (2) the size of the academic achievement gap and rigorous course taking and enrichment experiences by student subgroup;
- (3) student performance on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments;



(4) high school graduation rates; ~~and~~

(5) career and college readiness under section 120B.30, subdivision 1; and

(6) the English language development and academic progress, including the oral academic development, of English learners and their native language development if the native language is used as a language of instruction.

(b) When administering formative or summative assessments used to measure the academic progress, including the oral academic development, of English learners and inform their instruction, schools must ensure that the assessments are accessible to the students and students have the modifications and supports they need to sufficiently understand the assessments.

Subd. 2. **Adopting plans and budgets.** A school board, at a public meeting, shall adopt a comprehensive, long-term strategic plan to support and improve teaching and learning that is aligned with creating the world's best workforce and includes:

(1) clearly defined district and school site goals and benchmarks for instruction and student achievement for all student subgroups identified in section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (2);

(2) a process for assessing and evaluating each student's progress toward meeting state and local academic standards and identifying the strengths and weaknesses of instruction in pursuit of student and school success and curriculum affecting students' progress and growth toward career and college readiness and leading to the world's best workforce;

(3) a system to periodically review and evaluate the effectiveness of all instruction and curriculum, taking into account strategies and best practices, student outcomes, school principal evaluations under section 123B.147, subdivision 3, and teacher evaluations under section 122A.40, subdivision 8, or 122A.41, subdivision 5;

(4) strategies for improving instruction, curriculum, and student achievement, including the English and, where practicable, the native language development and the academic achievement of English learners;

(5) education effectiveness practices that integrate high-quality instruction, rigorous curriculum, technology, and a collaborative professional culture that develops and supports teacher quality, performance, and effectiveness; and

(6) an annual budget for continuing to implement the district plan.

Subd. 3. **District advisory committee.** Each school board shall establish an advisory committee to ensure active community participation in all phases of planning and improving the instruction and curriculum affecting state and district academic standards, consistent with subdivision 2. A district advisory committee, to the extent possible, shall reflect the diversity of the district and its school sites, ~~and shall~~ include teachers, parents, support staff, students, and other community residents, and provide translation to the extent appropriate and practicable. The district advisory committee shall pursue community support to accelerate the academic and native literacy and achievement of English learners with varied needs, from young children to adults, consistent with section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a. The district may establish site teams as subcommittees of the district advisory committee under subdivision 4. The district advisory committee shall recommend to the school board rigorous academic standards, student achievement goals and

measures consistent with subdivision 1a and sections 120B.022, subdivision 1, paragraphs (b) and (c), and 120B.35, district assessments, and program evaluations. School sites may expand upon district evaluations of instruction, curriculum, assessments, or programs. Whenever possible, parents and other community residents shall comprise at least two-thirds of advisory committee members.

Subd. 4. **Site team.** A school may establish a site team to develop and implement strategies and education effectiveness practices to improve instruction, curriculum, cultural competencies, including cultural awareness and cross-cultural communication, and student achievement at the school site, consistent with subdivision 2. The team advises the board and the advisory committee about developing the annual budget and revising an instruction and curriculum improvement plan that aligns curriculum, assessment of student progress, and growth in meeting state and district academic standards and instruction.

Subd. 5. **Report.** Consistent with requirements for school performance reports under section 120B.36, subdivision 1, the school board shall publish a report in the local newspaper with the largest circulation in the district, by mail, or by electronic means on the district Web site. The school board shall hold an annual public meeting to review, and revise where appropriate, student achievement goals, local assessment outcomes, plans, strategies, and practices for improving curriculum and instruction and cultural responsiveness, including cultural awareness and cross-cultural communication, and to review district success in realizing the previously adopted student achievement goals and related benchmarks and the improvement plans leading to the world's best workforce. The school board must transmit an electronic summary of its report to the commissioner in the form and manner the commissioner determines.

Subd. 7. **Periodic report.** Each school district shall periodically survey affected constituencies, in their native languages where appropriate, about their connection to and level of satisfaction with school. The district shall include the results of this evaluation in the summary report required under subdivision 5.

Subd. 9. **Annual evaluation.** (a) The commissioner must identify effective strategies, practices, and use of resources by districts and school sites in striving for the world's best workforce. The commissioner must assist districts and sites throughout the state in implementing these effective strategies, practices, and use of resources.

(b) The commissioner must identify those districts in any consecutive three-year period not making sufficient progress toward improving teaching and learning for all students, including English learners with varied needs, consistent with section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a, and striving for the world's best workforce. The commissioner, in collaboration with the identified district, may require the district to use up to two percent of its basic general education revenue per fiscal year during the proximate three school years to implement commissioner-specified strategies and practices, consistent with paragraph (a), to improve and accelerate its progress in realizing its goals under this section. In implementing this section, the commissioner must consider districts' budget constraints and legal obligations.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.115, is amended to read:

**120B.115 REGIONAL CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE.**

(a) Regional centers of excellence are established to assist and support school boards, school districts, school sites, and charter schools in implementing research-based interventions

and practices to increase the students' achievement within a region. The centers must develop partnerships with local and regional service cooperatives, postsecondary institutions, integrated school districts, the department, children's mental health providers, or other local or regional entities interested in providing a cohesive and consistent regional delivery system that serves all schools equitably. Centers must assist school districts, school sites, and charter schools in developing similar partnerships. Center support may include assisting school districts, school sites, and charter schools with common principles of effective practice, including:

- (1) defining measurable education goals under section 120B.11, subdivision 2;
- (2) implementing evidence-based practices;
- (3) engaging in data-driven decision-making;
- (4) providing multilayered levels of support;
- (5) supporting culturally responsive teaching and learning aligning the development of academic English proficiency, state and local academic standards, and career and college readiness benchmarks; and
- (6) engaging parents, families, youth, and local community members in programs and activities at the school district, school site, or charter school that foster collaboration and shared accountability for the achievement of all students; and
- (7) translating district forms and other information such as a multilingual glossary of commonly used education terms and phrases.

Centers must work with school site leadership teams to build capacity the expertise and experience to implement programs that close the achievement gap, provide effective and differentiated programs and instruction for different types of English learners, including English learners with limited or interrupted formal schooling and long-term English learners under section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a, increase students' progress and growth toward career and college readiness, and increase student graduation rates.

(b) The department must assist the regional centers of excellence to meet staff, facilities, and technical needs, provide the centers with programmatic support, and work with the centers to establish a coherent statewide system of regional support, including consulting, training, and technical support, to help school boards, school districts, school sites, and charter schools effectively and efficiently implement the world's best workforce goals under section 120B.11 and other state and federal education initiatives.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 120B.12, is amended to read:

**120B.12 READING PROFICIENTLY NO LATER THAN THE END OF GRADE 3.**

Subdivision 1. **Literacy goal.** The legislature seeks to have every child reading at or above grade level no later than the end of grade 3, including English learners, and that teachers provide comprehensive, scientifically based reading instruction consistent with section 122A.06, subdivision 4.

Subd. 2. **Identification; report.** For the 2011-2012 school year and later, each school district shall identify before the end of kindergarten, grade 1, and grade 2 students who are not reading at grade level before the end of the current school year. Reading assessments in English, and in the

predominant languages of district students where practicable, must identify and evaluate students' areas of academic need related to literacy. The district also must monitor the progress and provide reading instruction appropriate to the specific needs of English learners. The district must use a locally adopted, developmentally appropriate, and culturally responsive assessment and annually report summary assessment results to the commissioner by July 1.

Subd. 2a. **Parent notification and involvement.** Schools, at least annually, must give the parent of each student who is not reading at or above grade level timely information about:

- (1) student's reading proficiency as measured by a locally adopted assessment;
- (2) reading-related services currently being provided to the student; and
- (3) strategies for parents to use at home in helping their student succeed in becoming grade-level proficient in reading in English and in their native language.

Subd. 3. **Intervention.** For each student identified under subdivision 2, the district shall provide reading intervention to accelerate student growth ~~in order to~~ and reach the goal of reading at or above grade level by the end of the current grade and school year. District intervention methods shall encourage ~~parental involvement~~ family engagement and, where possible, collaboration with appropriate school and community programs. Intervention methods may include, but are not limited to, requiring attendance in summer school, intensified reading instruction that may require that the student be removed from the regular classroom for part of the school day ~~or~~ extended-day programs, or programs that strengthen students' cultural connections.

Subd. 4. **Staff development.** Each district shall use the data under subdivision 2 to identify the staff development needs so that:

- (1) elementary teachers are able to implement comprehensive, scientifically based reading and oral language instruction in the five reading areas of phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension as defined in section 122A.06, subdivision 4, and other literacy-related areas including writing until the student achieves grade-level reading proficiency;
- (2) elementary teachers have sufficient training to provide comprehensive, scientifically based reading and oral language instruction that meets students' developmental, linguistic, and literacy needs using the intervention methods or programs selected by the district for the identified students;
- (3) licensed teachers employed by the district have regular opportunities to improve reading and writing instruction; and
- (4) licensed teachers recognize students' diverse needs in cross-cultural settings and are able to serve the oral language and linguistic needs of students who are English learners by maximizing strengths in their native languages in order to cultivate students' English language development, including oral academic language development, and build academic literacy; and
- (5) licensed teachers are well trained in culturally responsive pedagogy that enables students to master content, develop skills to access content, and build relationships.

Subd. 4a. **Local literacy plan.** Consistent with this section, a school district must adopt a local literacy plan to have every child reading at or above grade level no later than the end of grade 3, including English learners. The plan must include a process to assess students' level of reading proficiency, notify and involve parents, intervene with students who are not reading at or above

grade level, and identify and meet staff development needs. The district must post its literacy plan on the official school district Web site.

Subd. 5. **Commissioner.** The commissioner shall recommend to districts multiple assessment tools to assist districts and teachers with identifying students under subdivision 2. The commissioner shall also make available examples of nationally recognized and research-based instructional methods or programs to districts to provide comprehensive, scientifically based reading instruction and intervention under this section.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.125, is amended to read:

**120B.125 PLANNING FOR STUDENTS' SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION TO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT; INVOLUNTARY CAREER TRACKING PROHIBITED.**

(a) Consistent with sections 120B.128, 120B.13, 120B.131, 120B.132, 120B.14, 120B.15, 120B.30, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), 125A.08, and other related sections, school districts, beginning in the 2013-2014 school year, must assist all students by no later than grade 9 to explore their college and career interests and aspirations and develop a plan for a smooth and successful transition to postsecondary education or employment. All students' plans must be designed to:

(1) provide a comprehensive academic plan for completing a college and career-ready curriculum premised on meeting state and local academic standards and developing 21st century skills such as team work, collaboration, creativity, communication, critical thinking, and good work habits;

(2) emphasize academic rigor and high expectations;

(3) help students identify personal learning styles that may affect their postsecondary education and employment choices;

(4) help students gain access to postsecondary education and career options;

(5) integrate strong academic content into career-focused courses and integrate relevant career-focused courses into strong academic content;

(6) help students and families identify and gain access to appropriate counseling and other supports and assistance that enable students to complete required coursework, prepare for postsecondary education and careers, and obtain information about postsecondary education costs and eligibility for financial aid and scholarship;

(7) help students and families identify collaborative partnerships of ~~kindergarten~~ prekindergarten through grade 12 schools, postsecondary institutions, economic development agencies, and employers that support students' transition to postsecondary education and employment and provide students with experiential learning opportunities; and

(8) be reviewed and revised at least annually by the student, the student's parent or guardian, and the school or district to ensure that the student's course-taking schedule keeps the student making adequate progress to meet state and local high school graduation requirements and with a reasonable chance to succeed with employment or postsecondary education without the need to first complete remedial course work.

(b) A school district may develop grade-level curricula or provide instruction that introduces students to various careers, but must not require any curriculum, instruction, or employment-related activity that obligates an elementary or secondary student to involuntarily select a career, career interest, employment goals, or related job training.

(c) Educators must possess the knowledge and skills to effectively teach all English learners in their classrooms. School districts must provide appropriate curriculum, targeted materials, professional development opportunities for educators, and sufficient resources to enable English learners to become career- and college-ready.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.35, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **State growth target; other state measures.** (a) The state's educational assessment system measuring individual students' educational growth is based on indicators of achievement growth that show an individual student's prior achievement. Indicators of achievement and prior achievement must be based on highly reliable statewide or districtwide assessments.

(b) The commissioner, in consultation with a stakeholder group that includes assessment and evaluation directors ~~and~~, district staff, experts in culturally responsive teaching, and researchers, must implement a model that uses a value-added growth indicator and includes criteria for identifying schools and school districts that demonstrate medium and high growth under section 120B.299, subdivisions 8 and 9, and may recommend other value-added measures under section 120B.299, subdivision 3. The model may be used to advance educators' professional development and replicate programs that succeed in meeting students' diverse learning needs. Data on individual teachers generated under the model are personnel data under section 13.43. The model must allow users to:

(1) report student growth consistent with this paragraph; and

(2) for all student categories, report and compare aggregated and disaggregated state growth data using the nine student categories identified under the federal 2001 No Child Left Behind Act and two student gender categories of male and female, respectively, following appropriate reporting practices to protect nonpublic student data.

The commissioner must report measures of student growth, consistent with this paragraph.

(c) When reporting student performance under section 120B.36, subdivision 1, the commissioner annually, beginning July 1, 2011, must report two core measures indicating the extent to which current high school graduates are being prepared for postsecondary academic and career opportunities:

(1) a preparation measure indicating the number and percentage of high school graduates in the most recent school year who completed course work important to preparing them for postsecondary academic and career opportunities, consistent with the core academic subjects required for admission to Minnesota's public colleges and universities as determined by the Office of Higher Education under chapter 136A; and

(2) a rigorous coursework measure indicating the number and percentage of high school graduates in the most recent school year who successfully completed one or more college-level advanced placement, international baccalaureate, postsecondary enrollment options including

concurrent enrollment, other rigorous courses of study under section 120B.021, subdivision 1a, or industry certification courses or programs.

When reporting the core measures under clauses (1) and (2), the commissioner must also analyze and report separate categories of information using the nine student categories identified under the federal 2001 No Child Left Behind Act and two student gender categories of male and female, respectively, following appropriate reporting practices to protect nonpublic student data.

(d) When reporting student performance under section 120B.36, subdivision 1, the commissioner annually, beginning July 1, 2014, must report summary data on school safety and students' engagement and connection at school. The summary data under this paragraph are separate from and must not be used for any purpose related to measuring or evaluating the performance of classroom teachers. The commissioner, in consultation with qualified experts on student engagement and connection and classroom teachers, must identify highly reliable variables that generate summary data under this paragraph. The summary data may be used at school, district, and state levels only. Any data on individuals received, collected, or created that are used to generate the summary data under this paragraph are nonpublic data under section 13.02, subdivision 9.

(e) For purposes of statewide educational accountability, the commissioner must identify and report measures that demonstrate the success of learning year program providers under sections 123A.05 and 124D.68, among other such providers, in improving students' graduation outcomes. The commissioner, beginning July 1, 2015, must annually report summary data on:

- (1) the four- and six-year graduation rates of students under this paragraph;
- (2) the percent of students under this paragraph whose progress and performance levels are meeting career and college readiness benchmarks under section 120B.30, subdivision 1; and
- (3) the success that learning year program providers experience in:
  - (i) identifying at-risk and off-track student populations by grade;
  - (ii) providing successful prevention and intervention strategies for at-risk students;
  - (iii) providing successful recuperative and recovery or reenrollment strategies for off-track students; and
  - (iv) improving the graduation outcomes of at-risk and off-track students.

The commissioner may include in the annual report summary data on other education providers serving a majority of students eligible to participate in a learning year program.

(f) The commissioner, in consultation with recognized experts with knowledge and experience in assessing the language proficiency and academic performance of English learners, must identify and report appropriate and effective measures to improve current categories of language difficulty and assessments, and monitor and report data on students' English proficiency levels, program placement, and academic language development, including oral academic language.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 120B.36, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **School performance reports.** (a) The commissioner shall report student academic performance under section 120B.35, subdivision 2; the percentages of students showing low, medium, and high growth under section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (b); school safety and student engagement and connection under section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (d); rigorous coursework under section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (c); the percentage of students under section 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (2), whose progress and performance levels are meeting career and college readiness benchmarks under sections 120B.30, subdivision 1, and 120B.35, subdivision 3, paragraph (e); longitudinal data on the progress of eligible districts in reducing disparities in students' academic achievement and realizing racial and economic integration under section 124D.861; the acquisition of English, and where practicable, native language academic literacy, including oral academic language, and the academic progress of English learners under section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a; two separate student-to-teacher ratios that clearly indicate the definition of teacher consistent with sections 122A.06 and 122A.15 for purposes of determining these ratios; staff characteristics excluding salaries; student enrollment demographics; district mobility; and extracurricular activities. The report also must indicate a school's adequate yearly progress status under applicable federal law, and must not set any designations applicable to high- and low-performing schools due solely to adequate yearly progress status.

(b) The commissioner shall develop, annually update, and post on the department Web site school performance reports.

(c) The commissioner must make available performance reports by the beginning of each school year.

(d) A school or district may appeal its adequate yearly progress status in writing to the commissioner within 30 days of receiving the notice of its status. The commissioner's decision to uphold or deny an appeal is final.

(e) School performance data are nonpublic data under section 13.02, subdivision 9, until the commissioner publicly releases the data. The commissioner shall annually post school performance reports to the department's public Web site no later than September 1, except that in years when the reports reflect new performance standards, the commissioner shall post the school performance reports no later than October 1.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.06, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Comprehensive, scientifically based reading instruction.** (a) "Comprehensive, scientifically based reading instruction" includes a program or collection of instructional practices that is based on valid, replicable evidence showing that when these programs or practices are used, students can be expected to achieve, at a minimum, satisfactory reading progress. The program or collection of practices must include, at a minimum, effective, balanced instruction in all five areas of reading: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension.

Comprehensive, scientifically based reading instruction also includes and integrates instructional strategies for continuously assessing, evaluating, and communicating the student's reading progress and needs in order to design and implement ongoing interventions so that students of all ages and proficiency levels can read and comprehend text, write, and apply higher level thinking skills. For English learners developing literacy skills, districts are encouraged to use



strategies that teach reading and writing in the students' native language and English at the same time.

- (b) "Fluency" is the ability of students to read text with speed, accuracy, and proper expression.
- (c) "Phonemic awareness" is the ability of students to notice, think about, and manipulate individual sounds in spoken syllables and words.
- (d) "Phonics" is the understanding that there are systematic and predictable relationships between written letters and spoken words. Phonics instruction is a way of teaching reading that stresses learning how letters correspond to sounds and how to apply this knowledge in reading and spelling.
- (e) "Reading comprehension" is an active process that requires intentional thinking during which meaning is constructed through interactions between text and reader. Comprehension skills are taught explicitly by demonstrating, explaining, modeling, and implementing specific cognitive strategies to help beginning readers derive meaning through intentional, problem-solving thinking processes.
- (f) "Vocabulary development" is the process of teaching vocabulary both directly and indirectly, with repetition and multiple exposures to vocabulary items. Learning in rich contexts, incidental learning, and use of computer technology enhance the acquiring of vocabulary.
- (g) Nothing in this subdivision limits the authority of a school district to select a school's reading program or curriculum.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 122A.09, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **License and rules.** (a) The board must adopt rules to license public school teachers and interns subject to chapter 14.

(b) The board must adopt rules requiring a person to pass a skills examination in reading, writing, and mathematics as a requirement for initial teacher licensure, except that the board may issue up to two additional temporary, one-year teaching licenses to an otherwise qualified candidate who has not yet passed the skills exam. Such rules must require college and universities offering a board-approved teacher preparation program to provide remedial assistance to persons who did not achieve a qualifying score on the skills examination, including those for whom English is a second language.

(c) The board must adopt rules to approve teacher preparation programs. The board, upon the request of a postsecondary student preparing for teacher licensure or a licensed graduate of a teacher preparation program, shall assist in resolving a dispute between the person and a postsecondary institution providing a teacher preparation program when the dispute involves an institution's recommendation for licensure affecting the person or the person's credentials. At the board's discretion, assistance may include the application of chapter 14.

(d) The board must provide the leadership and adopt rules for the redesign of teacher education programs to implement a research based, results-oriented curriculum that focuses on the skills teachers need in order to be effective. The board shall implement new systems of teacher preparation program evaluation to assure program effectiveness based on proficiency of graduates in demonstrating attainment of program outcomes. Teacher preparation programs

including alternative teacher preparation programs under section 122A.245, among other programs, must include a content-specific, board-approved, performance-based assessment that measures teacher candidates in three areas: planning for instruction and assessment; engaging students and supporting learning; and assessing student learning.

(e) The board must adopt rules requiring candidates for initial licenses to pass an examination of general pedagogical knowledge and examinations of licensure-specific teaching skills. The rules shall be effective by September 1, 2001. The rules under this paragraph also must require candidates for initial licenses to teach prekindergarten or elementary students to pass, as part of the examination of licensure-specific teaching skills, test items assessing the candidates' knowledge, skill, and ability in comprehensive, scientifically based reading instruction under section 122A.06, subdivision 4, and their knowledge and understanding of the foundations of reading development, the development of reading comprehension, and reading assessment and instruction, and their ability to integrate that knowledge and understanding.

(f) The board must adopt rules requiring teacher educators to work directly with elementary or secondary school teachers in elementary or secondary schools to obtain periodic exposure to the elementary or secondary teaching environment.

(g) The board must grant licenses to interns and to candidates for initial licenses based on appropriate professional competencies that are aligned with the board's licensing system and students' diverse learning needs. All teacher candidates must have preparation in English language development and content instruction for English learners in order to be able to effectively instruct the English learners in their classrooms. The board must include these licenses in a statewide differentiated licensing system that creates new leadership roles for successful experienced teachers premised on a collaborative professional culture dedicated to meeting students' diverse learning needs in the 21st century, recognizes the importance of cultural and linguistic competencies, including the ability to teach and communicate in culturally competent and aware ways, and formalizes mentoring and induction for newly licensed teachers that is provided through a teacher support framework.

(h) The board must design and implement an assessment system which requires a candidate for an initial license and first continuing license to demonstrate the abilities necessary to perform selected, representative teaching tasks at appropriate levels.

(i) The board must receive recommendations from local committees as established by the board for the renewal of teaching licenses. The board must require licensed teachers who are renewing a continuing license to include in the renewal requirements further preparation in English language development and specially designed content instruction in English for English learners.

(j) The board must grant life licenses to those who qualify according to requirements established by the board, and suspend or revoke licenses pursuant to sections 122A.20 and 214.10. The board must not establish any expiration date for application for life licenses.

(k) The board must adopt rules that require all licensed teachers who are renewing their continuing license to include in their renewal requirements further preparation in the areas of using positive behavior interventions and in accommodating, modifying, and adapting curricula, materials, and strategies to appropriately meet the needs of individual students and ensure adequate progress toward the state's graduation rule.

(l) In adopting rules to license public school teachers who provide health-related services for disabled children, the board shall adopt rules consistent with license or registration requirements of the commissioner of health and the health-related boards who license personnel who perform similar services outside of the school.

(m) The board must adopt rules that require all licensed teachers who are renewing their continuing license to include in their renewal requirements further reading preparation, consistent with section 122A.06, subdivision 4. The rules do not take effect until they are approved by law. Teachers who do not provide direct instruction including, at least, counselors, school psychologists, school nurses, school social workers, audiovisual directors and coordinators, and recreation personnel are exempt from this section.

(n) The board must adopt rules that require all licensed teachers who are renewing their continuing license to include in their renewal requirements further preparation, first, in understanding the key warning signs of early-onset mental illness in children and adolescents and then, during subsequent licensure renewal periods, preparation may include providing a more in-depth understanding of students' mental illness trauma, accommodations for students' mental illness, parents' role in addressing students' mental illness, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders, autism, the requirements of section 125A.0942 governing restrictive procedures, and de-escalation methods, among other similar topics.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to individuals entering a teacher preparation program after that date.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.14, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Preparation programs.** The board shall review and approve or disapprove preparation programs for school administrators and alternative preparation programs for administrators under section 122A.27, and must consider other alternative competency-based preparation programs leading to licensure. Among other requirements, preparation programs must include instruction on meeting the varied needs of English learners, from young children to adults, in English and, where practicable, in students' native language.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to individuals entering a school administrator preparation program after that date.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.14, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Rules for continuing education requirements.** The board shall adopt rules establishing continuing education requirements that promote continuous improvement and acquisition of new and relevant skills by school administrators. Continuing education programs, among other things, must provide school administrators with information and training about building coherent and effective English learner strategies that include relevant professional development, accountability for student progress, students' access to the general curriculum, and sufficient staff capacity to effect these strategies. A retired school principal who serves as a substitute principal or assistant principal for the same person on a day-to-day basis for no more than 15 consecutive school days is not subject to continuing education requirements as a condition of serving as a substitute principal or assistant principal.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to school administrators renewing an administrator's license after that date.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 122A.18, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Teacher and support personnel qualifications.** (a) The Board of Teaching must issue licenses under its jurisdiction to persons the board finds to be qualified and competent for their respective positions.

(b) The board must require a person to pass an examination of skills in reading, writing, and mathematics before being granted an initial teaching license to provide direct instruction to pupils in prekindergarten, elementary, secondary, or special education programs, except that the board may issue up to two additional temporary, one-year teaching licenses to an otherwise qualified candidate who has not yet passed the skills exam. The board must require colleges and universities offering a board approved teacher preparation program to make available upon request remedial assistance that includes a formal diagnostic component to persons enrolled in their institution who did not achieve a qualifying score on the skills examination, including those for whom English is a second language. The colleges and universities must make available assistance in the specific academic areas of deficiency in which the person did not achieve a qualifying score. School districts may make available upon request similar, appropriate, and timely remedial assistance that includes a formal diagnostic component to those persons employed by the district who completed their teacher education program, who did not achieve a qualifying score on the skills examination, including those persons for whom English is a second language and persons under section 122A.23, subdivision 2, paragraph (h), who completed their teacher's education program outside the state of Minnesota, and who received a temporary license to teach in Minnesota. The Board of Teaching shall report annually to the education committees of the legislature on the total number of teacher candidates during the most recent school year taking the skills examination, the number who achieve a qualifying score on the examination, the number who do not achieve a qualifying score on the examination, the distribution of all candidates' scores, the number of candidates who have taken the examination at least once before, and the number of candidates who have taken the examination at least once before and achieve a qualifying score.

(c) The Board of Teaching must grant continuing licenses only to those persons who have met board criteria for granting a continuing license, which includes passing the skills examination in reading, writing, and mathematics consistent with paragraph (b) and section 122A.09, subdivision 4, paragraph (b).

(d) All colleges and universities approved by the board of teaching to prepare persons for teacher licensure must include in their teacher preparation programs a common core of teaching knowledge and skills to be acquired by all persons recommended for teacher licensure. Among other requirements, teacher candidates must demonstrate the knowledge and skills needed to provide appropriate instruction to English learners to support and accelerate their academic literacy, including oral academic language, and achievement in content areas in a regular classroom setting. This common core shall meet the standards developed by the interstate new teacher assessment and support consortium in its 1992 "model standards for beginning teacher licensing and development." Amendments to standards adopted under this paragraph are covered by chapter 14. The board of teaching shall report annually to the education committees of the legislature on the performance of teacher candidates on common core assessments of knowledge and skills under this paragraph during the most recent school year.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to individuals entering a teacher preparation program after that date.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.18, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Reading strategies.** (a) All colleges and universities approved by the Board of Teaching to prepare persons for classroom teacher licensure must include in their teacher preparation programs research-based best practices in reading, consistent with section 122A.06, subdivision 4, that enable the licensure candidate to know how to teach reading in the candidate's content areas. Teacher candidates must be instructed in using students' native languages as a resource in creating effective differentiated instructional strategies for English learners developing literacy skills. These colleges and universities also must prepare candidates for initial licenses to teach prekindergarten or elementary students for the assessment of reading instruction portion of the examination of licensure-specific teaching skills under section 122A.09, subdivision 4, paragraph (e).

(b) Board-approved teacher preparation programs for teachers of elementary education must require instruction in the application of comprehensive, scientifically based, and balanced reading instruction programs that:

(1) teach students to read using foundational knowledge, practices, and strategies consistent with section 122A.06, subdivision 4, so that all students will achieve continuous progress in reading; and

(2) teach specialized instruction in reading strategies, interventions, and remediations that enable students of all ages and proficiency levels to become proficient readers.

(c) Nothing in this section limits the authority of a school district to select a school's reading program or curriculum.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to individuals entering a teacher preparation program after that date.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.18, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Expiration and renewal.** (a) Each license the Department of Education issues through its licensing section must bear the date of issue. Licenses must expire and be renewed according to the respective rules the Board of Teaching, the Board of School Administrators, or the commissioner of education adopts. Requirements for renewing a license must include showing satisfactory evidence of successful teaching or administrative experience for at least one school year during the period covered by the license in grades or subjects for which the license is valid or completing such additional preparation as the Board of Teaching prescribes. The Board of School Administrators shall establish requirements for renewing the licenses of supervisory personnel except athletic coaches. The State Board of Teaching shall establish requirements for renewing the licenses of athletic coaches.

(b) Relicensure applicants who have been employed as a teacher during the renewal period of their expiring license, as a condition of relicensure, must present to their local continuing education and relicensure committee or other local relicensure committee evidence of work that demonstrates professional reflection and growth in best teaching practices, including among other things, practices in meeting the varied needs of English learners, from young children to adults under section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a. The applicant must include a reflective statement of

professional accomplishment and the applicant's own assessment of professional growth showing evidence of:

- (1) support for student learning;
- (2) use of best practices techniques and their applications to student learning;
- (3) collaborative work with colleagues that includes examples of collegiality such as attested-to committee work, collaborative staff development programs, and professional learning community work; or
- (4) continual professional development that may include (i) job-embedded or other ongoing formal professional learning or (ii) for teachers employed for only part of the renewal period of their expiring license, other similar professional development efforts made during the relicensure period.

The Board of Teaching must ensure that its teacher relicensing requirements also include this paragraph.

(c) The Board of Teaching shall offer alternative continuing relicensure options for teachers who are accepted into and complete the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification process, and offer additional continuing relicensure options for teachers who earn National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification. Continuing relicensure requirements for teachers who do not maintain National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification are those the board prescribes, consistent with this section.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to licensed teachers renewing a teaching license after that date.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.19, is amended to read:

**122A.19 BILINGUAL AND ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHERS; LICENSES.**

Subdivision 1. **Bilingual and English as a second language licenses.** The Board of Teaching, hereinafter the board, must grant teaching licenses in bilingual education and English as a second language to persons who present satisfactory evidence that they:

- (a) Possess competence and communicative skills in English and in another language;
- (b) Possess a bachelor's degree or other academic degree approved by the board, and meet such requirements as to course of study and training as the board may prescribe, consistent with subdivision 4.

Subd. 2. **Persons holding general teaching licenses.** The board may license a person holding who holds a general teaching license and who presents the board with satisfactory evidence of competence and communicative skills in a language other than English may be licensed under this section.

Subd. 3. **Employment of teachers.** ~~Teachers employed in a bilingual education or English as a second language program established pursuant to sections 124D.58 to 124D.64 shall not be employed to replace any presently employed teacher who otherwise would not be replaced.~~

Subd. 4. **Teacher preparation programs.** For the purpose of licensing bilingual and English as a second language teachers, the board may approve programs at colleges or universities designed for their training. These programs must provide instruction in implementing research-based practices designed specifically for English learners. The programs must focus on developing English learners' academic language proficiency in English, including oral academic language, giving English learners meaningful access to the full school curriculum, developing culturally relevant teaching practices appropriate for immigrant students, and providing more intensive instruction and resources to English learners with lower levels of academic English proficiency and varied needs, consistent with section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a.

Subd. 5. **Persons eligible for employment.** Any person licensed under this section ~~shall be~~ is eligible for employment by a school board as a teacher in a bilingual education or English as a second language program in which the language for which the person is licensed is taught or used as a medium of instruction. A board may prescribe only those additional qualifications for teachers licensed under this section as that are approved by the board of teaching.

Subd. 6. **Affirmative efforts in hiring.** In hiring for all ~~positions in bilingual education programs~~ program positions, districts must give preference to and make affirmative efforts to seek, recruit, and employ persons who (1) are (a) native speakers of the language which is the medium of instruction in the bilingual education program or share a native language with the majority of their students, and (b) ~~who~~ (2) share the culture of the English learners ~~who are~~ enrolled in the program. The district shall provide procedures for ~~the involvement of~~ involving the parent advisory committees in designing the procedures for ~~the recruitment~~ recruiting, screening, and ~~selection of~~ selecting applicants. This section must not be construed to limit the school board's authority to hire and discharge personnel.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivisions 1, 2, 5, and 6 are effective August 1, 2015. Subdivision 3 is effective the day following final enactment. Subdivision 4 is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to an individual entering a teacher preparation program after that date.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 122A.40, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Development, evaluation, and peer coaching for continuing contract teachers.** (a) To improve student learning and success, a school board and an exclusive representative of the teachers in the district, consistent with paragraph (b), may develop a teacher evaluation and peer review process for probationary and continuing contract teachers through joint agreement. If a school board and the exclusive representative of the teachers do not agree to an annual teacher evaluation and peer review process, then the school board and the exclusive representative of the teachers must implement the plan for evaluation and review under paragraph (c). The process must include having trained observers serve as peer coaches or having teachers participate in professional learning communities, consistent with paragraph (b).

(b) To develop, improve, and support qualified teachers and effective teaching practices and improve student learning and success, the annual evaluation process for teachers:

(1) must, for probationary teachers, provide for all evaluations required under subdivision 5;

(2) must establish a three-year professional review cycle for each teacher that includes an individual growth and development plan, a peer review process, the opportunity to participate in a professional learning community under paragraph (a), and at least one summative evaluation performed by a qualified and trained evaluator such as a school administrator. For the years when a

tenured teacher is not evaluated by a qualified and trained evaluator, the teacher must be evaluated by a peer review;

- (3) must be based on professional teaching standards established in rule;
- (4) must coordinate staff development activities under sections 122A.60 and 122A.61 with this evaluation process and teachers' evaluation outcomes;
- (5) may provide time during the school day and school year for peer coaching and teacher collaboration;
- (6) may include mentoring and induction programs;
- (7) must include an option for teachers to develop and present a portfolio demonstrating evidence of reflection and professional growth, consistent with section 122A.18, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), and include teachers' own performance assessment based on student work samples and examples of teachers' work, which may include video among other activities for the summative evaluation;
- (8) must use data from valid and reliable assessments aligned to state and local academic standards and must use state and local measures of student growth and literacy that may include value-added models or student learning goals to determine 35 percent of teacher evaluation results;
- (9) must use longitudinal data on student engagement and connection, the academic literacy, including oral academic language, and achievement of content areas of English learners, and other student outcome measures explicitly aligned with the elements of curriculum for which teachers are responsible;
- (10) must require qualified and trained evaluators such as school administrators to perform summative evaluations;
- (11) must give teachers not meeting professional teaching standards under clauses (3) through (10) support to improve through a teacher improvement process that includes established goals and timelines; and
- (12) must discipline a teacher for not making adequate progress in the teacher improvement process under clause (11) that may include a last chance warning, termination, discharge, nonrenewal, transfer to a different position, a leave of absence, or other discipline a school administrator determines is appropriate.

Data on individual teachers generated under this subdivision are personnel data under section 13.43.

(c) The department, in consultation with parents who may represent parent organizations and teacher and administrator representatives appointed by their respective organizations, representing the Board of Teaching, the Minnesota Association of School Administrators, the Minnesota School Boards Association, the Minnesota Elementary and Secondary Principals Associations, Education Minnesota, and representatives of the Minnesota Assessment Group, the Minnesota Business Partnership, the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, and Minnesota postsecondary institutions with research expertise in teacher evaluation, must create and publish a teacher evaluation process that complies with the requirements in paragraph (b) and applies to all teachers under this section and section 122A.41 for whom no agreement exists under paragraph (a) for an annual teacher



evaluation and peer review process. The teacher evaluation process created under this subdivision does not create additional due process rights for probationary teachers under subdivision 5.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 122A.41, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

**Subd. 5. Development, evaluation, and peer coaching for continuing contract teachers.** (a) To improve student learning and success, a school board and an exclusive representative of the teachers in the district, consistent with paragraph (b), may develop an annual teacher evaluation and peer review process for probationary and nonprobationary teachers through joint agreement. If a school board and the exclusive representative of the teachers in the district do not agree to an annual teacher evaluation and peer review process, then the school board and the exclusive representative of the teachers must implement the plan for evaluation and review developed under paragraph (c). The process must include having trained observers serve as peer coaches or having teachers participate in professional learning communities, consistent with paragraph (b).

(b) To develop, improve, and support qualified teachers and effective teaching practices and improve student learning and success, the annual evaluation process for teachers:

- (1) must, for probationary teachers, provide for all evaluations required under subdivision 2;
- (2) must establish a three-year professional review cycle for each teacher that includes an individual growth and development plan, a peer review process, the opportunity to participate in a professional learning community under paragraph (a), and at least one summative evaluation performed by a qualified and trained evaluator such as a school administrator;
- (3) must be based on professional teaching standards established in rule;
- (4) must coordinate staff development activities under sections 122A.60 and 122A.61 with this evaluation process and teachers' evaluation outcomes;
- (5) may provide time during the school day and school year for peer coaching and teacher collaboration;
- (6) may include mentoring and induction programs;
- (7) must include an option for teachers to develop and present a portfolio demonstrating evidence of reflection and professional growth, consistent with section 122A.18, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), and include teachers' own performance assessment based on student work samples and examples of teachers' work, which may include video among other activities for the summative evaluation;
- (8) must use data from valid and reliable assessments aligned to state and local academic standards and must use state and local measures of student growth and literacy that may include value-added models or student learning goals to determine 35 percent of teacher evaluation results;
- (9) must use longitudinal data on student engagement and connection, the academic literacy, including oral academic language, and achievement of English learners, and other student outcome measures explicitly aligned with the elements of curriculum for which teachers are responsible;
- (10) must require qualified and trained evaluators such as school administrators to perform summative evaluations;

(11) must give teachers not meeting professional teaching standards under clauses (3) through (10) support to improve through a teacher improvement process that includes established goals and timelines; and

(12) must discipline a teacher for not making adequate progress in the teacher improvement process under clause (11) that may include a last chance warning, termination, discharge, nonrenewal, transfer to a different position, a leave of absence, or other discipline a school administrator determines is appropriate.

Data on individual teachers generated under this subdivision are personnel data under section 13.43.

(c) The department, in consultation with parents who may represent parent organizations and teacher and administrator representatives appointed by their respective organizations, representing the Board of Teaching, the Minnesota Association of School Administrators, the Minnesota School Boards Association, the Minnesota Elementary and Secondary Principals Associations, Education Minnesota, and representatives of the Minnesota Assessment Group, the Minnesota Business Partnership, the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, and Minnesota postsecondary institutions with research expertise in teacher evaluation, must create and publish a teacher evaluation process that complies with the requirements in paragraph (b) and applies to all teachers under this section and section 122A.40 for whom no agreement exists under paragraph (a) for an annual teacher evaluation and peer review process. The teacher evaluation process created under this subdivision does not create additional due process rights for probationary teachers under subdivision 2.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.413, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Plan components.** The educational improvement plan must be approved by the school board and have at least these elements:

(1) assessment and evaluation tools to measure student performance and progress, including the academic literacy, oral academic language, and achievement of English learners, among other measures;

(2) performance goals and benchmarks for improvement;

(3) measures of student attendance and completion rates;

(4) a rigorous research and practice-based professional development system, based on national and state standards of effective teaching practice applicable to all students including English learners with varied needs under section 124D.59, subdivisions 2 and 2a, and consistent with section 122A.60, that is aligned with educational improvement and designed to achieve ongoing and schoolwide progress and growth in teaching practice;

(5) measures of student, family, and community involvement and satisfaction;

(6) a data system about students and their academic progress that provides parents and the public with understandable information;

(7) a teacher induction and mentoring program for probationary teachers that provides continuous learning and sustained teacher support; and

(8) substantial participation by the exclusive representative of the teachers in developing the plan.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2014, and applies to plans approved after that date.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.414, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Alternative teacher professional pay system.** (a) To participate in this program, a school district, intermediate school district, school site, or charter school must have an educational improvement plan under section 122A.413 and an alternative teacher professional pay system agreement under paragraph (b). A charter school participant also must comply with subdivision 2a.

(b) The alternative teacher professional pay system agreement must:

(1) describe how teachers can achieve career advancement and additional compensation;

(2) describe how the school district, intermediate school district, school site, or charter school will provide teachers with career advancement options that allow teachers to retain primary roles in student instruction and facilitate site-focused professional development that helps other teachers improve their skills;

(3) reform the "steps and lanes" salary schedule, prevent any teacher's compensation paid before implementing the pay system from being reduced as a result of participating in this system, and base at least 60 percent of any compensation increase on teacher performance using:

(i) schoolwide student achievement gains under section 120B.35 or locally selected standardized assessment outcomes, or both;

(ii) measures of student achievement, including the academic literacy, oral academic language, and achievement of English learners, among other measures; and

(iii) an objective evaluation program that includes:

(A) individual teacher evaluations aligned with the educational improvement plan under section 122A.413 and the staff development plan under section 122A.60; and

(B) objective evaluations using multiple criteria conducted by a locally selected and periodically trained evaluation team that understands teaching and learning;

(4) provide integrated ongoing site-based professional development activities to improve instructional skills and learning that are aligned with student needs under section 122A.413, consistent with the staff development plan under section 122A.60 and led during the school day by trained teacher leaders such as master or mentor teachers;

(5) allow any teacher in a participating school district, intermediate school district, school site, or charter school that implements an alternative pay system to participate in that system without any quota or other limit; and

(6) encourage collaboration rather than competition among teachers.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2014, and applies to agreements approved after that date.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.60, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **Effective staff development activities.** (a) Staff development activities must:

- (1) focus on the school classroom and research-based strategies that improve student learning;
- (2) provide opportunities for teachers to practice and improve their instructional skills over time;
- (3) provide opportunities for teachers to use student data as part of their daily work to increase student achievement;
- (4) enhance teacher content knowledge and instructional skills, including to accommodate the delivery of digital and blended learning and curriculum and engage students with technology;
- (5) align with state and local academic standards;
- (6) provide opportunities to build professional relationships, foster collaboration among principals and staff who provide instruction, and provide opportunities for teacher-to-teacher mentoring; **and**
- (7) align with the plan of the district or site for an alternative teacher professional pay system; **and**
- (8) provide teachers of English learners, including English as a second language and content teachers, with differentiated instructional strategies critical for ensuring students' long-term academic success; the means to effectively use assessment data on the academic literacy, oral academic language, and English language development of English learners; and skills to support native and English language development across the curriculum.

Staff development activities may include curriculum development and curriculum training programs, and activities that provide teachers and other members of site-based teams training to enhance team performance. The school district also may implement other staff development activities required by law and activities associated with professional teacher compensation models.

(b) Release time provided for teachers to supervise students on field trips and school activities, or independent tasks not associated with enhancing the teacher's knowledge and instructional skills, such as preparing report cards, calculating grades, or organizing classroom materials, may not be counted as staff development time that is financed with staff development reserved revenue under section 122A.61.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.60, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Contents of plan.** The plan must include the staff development outcomes under subdivision 3, the means to achieve the outcomes, and procedures for evaluating progress at each school site toward meeting education outcomes, consistent with relicensure requirements under section 122A.18, subdivision 4. The plan also must:

- (1) support stable and productive professional communities achieved through ongoing and schoolwide progress and growth in teaching practice;
- (2) emphasize coaching, professional learning communities, classroom action research, and other job-embedded models;
- (3) maintain a strong subject matter focus premised on students' learning goals;
- (4) ensure specialized preparation and learning about issues related to teaching English learners and students with special needs by focusing on long-term systemic efforts to improve educational services and opportunities and raise student achievement; and

(5) reinforce national and state standards of effective teaching practice.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.60, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Staff development outcomes.** The advisory staff development committee must adopt a staff development plan for improving student achievement. The plan must be consistent with education outcomes that the school board determines. The plan must include ongoing staff development activities that contribute toward continuous improvement in achievement of the following goals:

(1) improve student achievement of state and local education standards in all areas of the curriculum by using research-based best practices methods;

(2) effectively meet the needs of a diverse student population, including at-risk children, children with disabilities, English learners, and gifted children, within the regular classroom and other settings;

(3) provide an inclusive curriculum for a racially, ethnically, linguistically, and culturally diverse student population that is consistent with the state education diversity rule and the district's education diversity plan;

(4) improve staff collaboration and develop mentoring and peer coaching programs for teachers new to the school or district;

(5) effectively teach and model violence prevention policy and curriculum that address early intervention alternatives, issues of harassment, and teach nonviolent alternatives for conflict resolution;

(6) effectively deliver digital and blended learning and curriculum and engage students with technology; and

(7) provide teachers and other members of site-based management teams with appropriate management and financial management skills.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.68, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Program components.** In order to be approved by the Board of Teaching, a school district's residency program must at minimum include:

(1) training to prepare teachers to serve as mentors to teaching residents;

(2) a team mentorship approach to expose teaching residents to a variety of teaching methods, philosophies, and classroom environments that includes differentiated instructional strategies, effective use of student achievement data, and support for native and English language development across the curriculum and grade levels, among other things;

(3) ongoing peer coaching and assessment;

(4) assistance to the teaching resident in preparing an individual professional development plan that includes goals, activities, and assessment methodologies; and

(5) collaboration with one or more teacher education institutions, career teachers, and other community experts to provide local or regional professional development seminars or other structured learning experiences for teaching residents.

A teaching resident's direct classroom supervision responsibilities shall not exceed 80 percent of the instructional time required of a full-time equivalent teacher in the district. During the time a resident does not supervise a class, the resident shall participate in professional development activities according to the individual plan developed by the resident in conjunction with the school's mentoring team. Examples of development activities include observing other teachers, sharing experiences with other teaching residents, and professional meetings and workshops.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.74, is amended to read:

**122A.74 PRINCIPALS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** (a) The commissioner of education may contract with the regents of the University of Minnesota to establish a Principals' Leadership Institute to provide professional development to school principals by:

(1) creating a network of leaders in the educational and business communities to communicate current and future trends in leadership techniques;

(2) helping to create a vision for the school that is aligned with the community and district priorities; ~~and~~

(3) developing strategies to retain highly qualified teachers and ensure that diverse student populations, including at-risk students, children with disabilities, English learners, and gifted students, among others, have equal access to these highly qualified teachers; and

(4) providing training to analyze data using culturally competent tools.

(b) The University of Minnesota must cooperate with participating members of the business community to provide funding and content for the institute.

(c) Participants must agree to attend the Principals' Leadership Institute for four weeks during the academic summer.

(d) The Principals' Leadership Institute must incorporate program elements offered by leadership programs at the University of Minnesota and program elements used by the participating members of the business community to enhance leadership within their businesses.

Subd. 2. **Method of selection and requirements.** (a) The board of each school district in the state may select a principal, upon the recommendation of the district's superintendent and based on the principal's leadership potential, to attend the institute.

(b) The school board annually shall forward its list of recommended participants to the commissioner ~~of education~~ by February 1 ~~each year~~. In addition, a principal may submit an application directly to the commissioner by February 1. The commissioner ~~of education~~ shall notify the school board, the principal candidates, and the University of Minnesota of the principals selected to participate in the Principals' Leadership Institute each year.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123A.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **People to be served.** A state-approved alternative program shall provide programs for secondary pupils and adults. A center may also provide programs and services for elementary and secondary pupils who are not attending the state-approved alternative program to assist them in being successful in school. A center shall use research-based best practices for serving English

learners and their parents, taking into account the variations in students' backgrounds and needs and the amount of time and the staff resources necessary for students to overcome gaps in their education and to develop English proficiency and work-related skills. An individualized education program team may identify a state-approved alternative program as an appropriate placement to the extent a state-approved alternative program can provide the student with the appropriate special education services described in the student's plan. Pupils eligible to be served are those who qualify under the graduation incentives program in section 124D.68, subdivision 2, those enrolled under section 124D.02, subdivision 2, or those pupils who are eligible to receive special education services under sections 125A.03 to 125A.24, and 125A.65.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123B.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Achievement contract.** A school board may enter a written education site achievement contract with each site decision-making team for: (1) setting individualized learning and achievement measures and short- and long-term educational goals for each student at that site that may include site-based strategies for English language instruction targeting the teachers of English learners and all teachers and school administrators; (2) recognizing each student's educational needs and aptitudes and levels of academic attainment, whether on grade level or above or below grade level, so as to improve student performance through such means as a cost-effective, research-based formative assessment system designed to promote individualized learning and assessment; (3) using student performance data to diagnose a student's academic strengths and weaknesses and indicate to the student's teachers the specific skills and concepts that need to be introduced to the student and developed through academic instruction or applied learning, organized by strands within subject areas and linked to state and local academic standards during the next year, consistent with the student's short- and long-term educational goals; and (4) assisting the education site if progress in achieving student or contract goals or other performance expectations or measures agreed to by the board and the site decision-making team are not realized or implemented.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123B.147, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Duties; evaluation.** (a) The principal shall provide administrative, supervisory, and instructional leadership services, under the supervision of the superintendent of schools of the district and according to the policies, rules, and regulations of the school board, for the planning, management, operation, and evaluation of the education program of the building or buildings to which the principal is assigned.

(b) To enhance a principal's leadership skills and support and improve teaching practices, school performance, and student achievement for diverse student populations, including at-risk students, children with disabilities, English learners, and gifted students, among others, a district must develop and implement a performance-based system for annually evaluating school principals assigned to supervise a school building within the district. The evaluation must be designed to improve teaching and learning by supporting the principal in shaping the school's professional environment and developing teacher quality, performance, and effectiveness. The annual evaluation must:

(1) support and improve a principal's instructional leadership, organizational management, and professional development, and strengthen the principal's capacity in the areas of instruction, supervision, evaluation, and teacher development;

(2) include formative and summative evaluations based on multiple measures of student progress toward career and college readiness;

(3) be consistent with a principal's job description, a district's long-term plans and goals, and the principal's own professional multiyear growth plans and goals, all of which must support the principal's leadership behaviors and practices, rigorous curriculum, school performance, and high-quality instruction;

(4) include on-the-job observations and previous evaluations;

(5) allow surveys to help identify a principal's effectiveness, leadership skills and processes, and strengths and weaknesses in exercising leadership in pursuit of school success;

(6) use longitudinal data on student academic growth as 35 percent of the evaluation and incorporate district achievement goals and targets;

(7) be linked to professional development that emphasizes improved teaching and learning, curriculum and instruction, student learning, and a collaborative professional culture; and

(8) for principals not meeting standards of professional practice or other criteria under this subdivision, implement a plan to improve the principal's performance and specify the procedure and consequence if the principal's performance is not improved.

The provisions of this paragraph are intended to provide districts with sufficient flexibility to accommodate district needs and goals related to developing, supporting, and evaluating principals.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.13, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Program requirements.** (a) Early childhood family education programs are programs for children in the period of life from birth to kindergarten, for the parents and other relatives of these children, and for expectant parents. To the extent that funds are insufficient to provide programs for all children, early childhood family education programs should emphasize programming for a child from birth to age three and encourage parents and other relatives to involve four- and five-year-old children in school readiness programs, and other public and nonpublic early learning programs. A district may not limit participation to school district residents. Early childhood family education programs must provide:

(1) programs to educate parents and other relatives about the physical, mental, and emotional development of children and to enhance the skills of parents and other relatives in providing for their children's learning and development;

(2) structured learning activities requiring interaction between children and their parents or relatives;

(3) structured learning activities for children that promote children's development and positive interaction with peers, which are held while parents or relatives attend parent education classes;

(4) information on related community resources;

(5) information, materials, and activities that support the safety of children, including prevention of child abuse and neglect; and

(6) a community outreach plan to ensure participation by families who reflect the racial, cultural, linguistic, and economic diversity of the school district.



Early childhood family education programs are encouraged to provide parents of English learners with translated oral and written information to monitor the program's impact on their children's English language development, to know whether their children are progressing in developing their English and native language proficiency, and to actively engage with and support their children in developing their English and native language proficiency.

The programs must include learning experiences for children, parents, and other relatives that promote children's early literacy and, where practicable, their native language skills. ~~The program must not include~~ and activities for children that ~~do not~~ require substantial involvement of the children's parents or other relatives. Providers must review the program must be reviewed periodically to assure the instruction and materials are not racially, culturally, or sexually biased. The programs must encourage parents to be aware of practices that may affect equitable development of children.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "relative" or "relatives" means noncustodial grandparents or other persons related to a child by blood, marriage, adoption, or foster placement, excluding parents.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.15, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Program requirements.** A school readiness program provider must:

(1) assess each child's cognitive and language skills with a comprehensive child assessment instrument when the child enters and again before the child leaves the program to ~~inform~~ improve program planning and implementation, communicate with parents, and promote kindergarten readiness;

(2) provide comprehensive program content and intentional instructional practice aligned with the state early childhood learning guidelines and kindergarten standards and based on early childhood research and professional practice that is focused on children's cognitive, social, emotional, and physical skills and development and prepares children for the transition to kindergarten, including early literacy and language skills;

(3) coordinate appropriate kindergarten transition with parents and kindergarten teachers;

(4) involve parents in program planning and decision making;

(5) coordinate with relevant community-based services;

(6) cooperate with adult basic education programs and other adult literacy programs;

(7) ensure staff-child ratios of one-to-ten and maximum group size of 20 children with the first staff required to be a teacher; and

(8) have teachers knowledgeable in early childhood curriculum content, assessment, native and English language development programs, and instruction.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.49, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Local education and employment transitions systems.** A local education and employment transitions partnership must assess the needs of employers, employees, and learners, and develop a plan for implementing and achieving the objectives of a local or regional education and employment transitions system. The plan must provide for a comprehensive local system for assisting learners and workers in making the transition from school to work or for retraining in

a new vocational area. The objectives of a local education and employment transitions system include:

(1) increasing the effectiveness of the educational programs and curriculum of elementary, secondary, and postsecondary schools and the work site in preparing students in the skills and knowledge needed to be successful in the workplace;

(2) implementing learner outcomes for students in grades kindergarten through 12 designed to introduce the world of work and to explore career opportunities, including nontraditional career opportunities;

(3) eliminating barriers to providing effective integrated applied learning, service-learning, or work-based curriculum;

(4) increasing opportunities to apply academic knowledge and skills, including skills needed in the workplace, in local settings which include the school, school-based enterprises, postsecondary institutions, the workplace, and the community;

(5) increasing applied instruction in the attitudes and skills essential for success in the workplace, including cooperative working, leadership, problem-solving, English language proficiency, and respect for diversity;

(6) providing staff training for vocational guidance counselors, teachers, and other appropriate staff in the importance of preparing learners for the transition to work, and in methods of providing instruction that incorporate applied learning, work-based learning, English language proficiency, and service-learning experiences;

(7) identifying and enlisting local and regional employers who can effectively provide work-based or service-learning opportunities, including, but not limited to, apprenticeships, internships, and mentorships;

(8) recruiting community and workplace mentors including peers, parents, employers and employed individuals from the community, and employers of high school students;

(9) identifying current and emerging educational, training, native and English language development, and employment needs of the area or region, especially within industries with potential for job growth;

(10) improving the coordination and effectiveness of local vocational and job training programs, including vocational education, adult basic education, tech prep, apprenticeship, service-learning, youth entrepreneur, youth training and employment programs administered by the commissioner of employment and economic development, and local job training programs under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Public Law 105-220;

(11) identifying and applying for federal, state, local, and private sources of funding for vocational or applied learning programs;

(12) providing students with current information and counseling about career opportunities, potential employment, educational opportunities in postsecondary institutions, workplaces, and the community, and the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed;

(13) providing educational technology, including interactive television networks and other distance learning methods, to ensure access to a broad variety of work-based learning opportunities;

(14) including students with disabilities in a district's vocational or applied learning program and ways to serve at-risk learners through collaboration with area learning centers under sections 123A.05 to 123A.09, or other alternative programs; and

(15) providing a warranty to employers, postsecondary education programs, and other postsecondary training programs, that learners successfully completing a high school work-based or applied learning program will be able to apply the knowledge and work skills included in the program outcomes or graduation requirements. The warranty shall require education and training programs to continue to work with those learners that need additional skill or English language development until they can demonstrate achievement of the program outcomes or graduation requirements.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.52, as amended by Laws 2013, chapter 116, article 2, section 7, is amended to read:

#### **124D.52 ADULT BASIC EDUCATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Program requirements.** (a) An adult basic education program is a day or evening program offered by a district that is for people over 16 years of age who do not attend an elementary or secondary school. The program offers academic and English language instruction necessary to earn a high school diploma or equivalency certificate.

(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a school board or the governing body of a consortium offering an adult basic education program may adopt a sliding fee schedule based on a family's income, but must waive the fee for participants who are under the age of 21 or unable to pay. The fees charged must be designed to enable individuals of all socioeconomic levels to participate in the program. A program may charge a security deposit to assure return of materials, supplies, and equipment.

(c) Each approved adult basic education program must develop a memorandum of understanding with the local workforce development centers located in the approved program's service delivery area. The memorandum of understanding must describe how the adult basic education program and the workforce development centers will cooperate and coordinate services to provide unduplicated, efficient, and effective services to clients.

(d) Adult basic education aid must be spent for adult basic education purposes as specified in sections 124D.518 to 124D.531.

(e) A state-approved adult basic education program must count and submit student contact hours for a program that offers high school credit toward an adult high school diploma according to student eligibility requirements and measures of student progress toward work-based competency demonstration requirements and, where appropriate, English language proficiency requirements established by the commissioner and posted on the department Web site in a readily accessible location and format.

Subd. 2. **Program approval.** (a) To receive aid under this section, a district, a consortium of districts, the Department of Corrections, or a private nonprofit organization must submit an application by June 1 describing the program, on a form provided by the department. The program must be approved by the commissioner according to the following criteria:

(1) how the needs of different levels of learning and English language proficiency will be met;

- (2) for continuing programs, an evaluation of results;
- (3) anticipated number and education level of participants;
- (4) coordination with other resources and services;
- (5) participation in a consortium, if any, and money available from other participants;
- (6) management and program design;
- (7) volunteer training and use of volunteers;
- (8) staff development services;
- (9) program sites and schedules;
- (10) program expenditures that qualify for aid;
- (11) program ability to provide data related to learner outcomes as required by law; and
- (12) a copy of the memorandum of understanding described in subdivision 1 submitted to the commissioner.

(b) Adult basic education programs may be approved under this subdivision for up to five years. Five-year program approval must be granted to an applicant who has demonstrated the capacity to:

(1) offer comprehensive learning opportunities and support service choices appropriate for and accessible to adults at all basic skill ~~need~~ and English language levels of need;

(2) provide a participatory and experiential learning approach based on the strengths, interests, and needs of each adult, that enables adults with basic skill needs to:

(i) identify, plan for, and evaluate their own progress toward achieving their defined educational and occupational goals;

(ii) master the basic academic reading, writing, and computational skills, as well as the problem-solving, decision making, interpersonal effectiveness, and other life and learning skills they need to function effectively in a changing society;

(iii) locate and be able to use the health, governmental, and social services and resources they need to improve their own and their families' lives; and

(iv) continue their education, if they desire, to at least the level of secondary school completion, with the ability to secure and benefit from continuing education that will enable them to become more employable, productive, and responsible citizens;

(3) plan, coordinate, and develop cooperative agreements with community resources to address the needs that the adults have for support services, such as transportation, English language learning, flexible course scheduling, convenient class locations, and child care;

(4) collaborate with business, industry, labor unions, and employment-training agencies, as well as with family and occupational education providers, to arrange for resources and services through which adults can attain economic self-sufficiency;

(5) provide sensitive and well trained adult education personnel who participate in local, regional, and statewide adult basic education staff development events to master effective adult learning and teaching techniques;

(6) participate in regional adult basic education peer program reviews and evaluations;

(7) submit accurate and timely performance and fiscal reports;

(8) submit accurate and timely reports related to program outcomes and learner follow-up information; and

(9) spend adult basic education aid on adult basic education purposes only, which are specified in sections 124D.518 to 124D.531.

(c) The commissioner shall require each district to provide notification by February 1, 2001, of its intent to apply for funds under this section as a single district or as part of an identified consortium of districts. A district receiving funds under this section must notify the commissioner by February 1 of its intent to change its application status for applications due the following June 1.

Subd. 3. **Accounts; revenue; aid.** (a) Each district, group of districts, or private nonprofit organization providing adult basic education programs must establish and maintain a reserve account within the community service fund for ~~the receipt~~ receiving and disbursement of disbursing all funds related to these programs. All revenue received ~~pursuant to~~ under this section must be ~~utilized~~ used solely for the purposes of adult basic education programs. State aid must not equal more than 100 percent of the unreimbursed expenses of providing these programs, excluding in-kind costs.

(b) For purposes of paragraph (a), an adult basic education program may include as valid expenditures for the previous fiscal year program spending that occurs from July 1 to September 30 of the following year. A program may carry over a maximum of 20 percent of its adult basic education aid revenue into the next fiscal year. Program spending may only be counted for one fiscal year.

(c) Notwithstanding section 123A.26 or any other law to the contrary, an adult basic education consortium providing an approved adult basic education program may be its own fiscal agent and is eligible to receive state-aid payments directly from the commissioner.

Subd. 4. **English as a second language programs.** Persons may teach English as a second language classes ~~conducted~~ at a worksite, if they meet the requirements of section 122A.19, subdivision 1, clause (a), regardless of whether they are licensed teachers. Persons teaching English as a second language for an approved adult basic education program must possess a bachelor's or master's degree in English as a second language, applied linguistics, or bilingual education, or a related degree as approved by the commissioner.

Subd. 5. **Basic service level.** A district, or a consortium of districts, with a program approved by the commissioner under subdivision 2 must establish, in consultation with the commissioner, a basic level of service for every adult basic education site in the district or consortium. The basic service level must describe minimum levels of academic and English language instruction and support services to be provided at each site. The program must set a basic service level that promotes effective learning and student achievement with measurable results. Each district or consortium of districts must submit its basic service level to the commissioner for approval.

Subd. 6. **Cooperative English as a second language and adult basic education programs.**

(a) A school district, or adult basic education consortium that receives revenue under section 124D.531, may deliver English as a second language, citizenship, or other adult education programming in collaboration with community-based and nonprofit organizations located within its district or region, and with correctional institutions. The organization or correctional institution must have the demonstrated capacity to offer education programs for adults. Community-based or nonprofit organizations must meet the criteria in paragraph (b), or have prior experience. A community-based or nonprofit organization or a correctional institution may be reimbursed for unreimbursed expenses as defined in section 124D.518, subdivision 5, for ~~the administration of administering~~ English as a second language or adult basic education programs, not to exceed eight percent of the total funds provided by a school district or adult basic education consortium. The administrative reimbursement for a school district or adult basic education consortium that delivers services cooperatively with a community-based or nonprofit organization or correctional institution is limited to five percent of the program aid, not to exceed the unreimbursed expenses of administering programs delivered by community-based or nonprofit organizations or correctional institutions.

(b) A community-based organization or nonprofit organization that delivers education services under this section must demonstrate that it has met the following criteria:

(1) be legally established as a nonprofit organization;

(2) have an established system for fiscal accounting and reporting that is consistent with the ~~Department of Education's~~ department's adult basic education completion report and reporting requirements under section 124D.531;

(3) require all instructional staff to complete a training course in teaching adult learners; and

(4) develop a learning plan for each student that identifies defined educational and occupational goals with measures to evaluate progress.

Subd. 7. **Performance tracking system.** (a) By July 1, 2000, each approved adult basic education program must develop and implement a performance tracking system to provide information necessary to comply with federal law and serve as one means of assessing the effectiveness of adult basic education programs. For required reporting, longitudinal studies, and program improvement, the tracking system must be designed to collect data on the following core outcomes for learners, including English learners, who have completed participating in the adult basic education program:

(1) demonstrated improvements in literacy skill levels in reading, writing, speaking the English language, numeracy, problem solving, English language acquisition, and other literacy skills;

(2) placement in, retention in, or completion of postsecondary education, training, unsubsidized employment, or career advancement;

(3) receipt of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent; and

(4) reduction in participation in the diversionary work program, Minnesota family investment program, and food support education and training program.

(b) A district, group of districts, state agency, or private nonprofit organization providing an adult basic education program may meet this requirement by developing a tracking system based on either or both of the following methodologies:

- (1) conducting a reliable follow-up survey; or
- (2) submitting student information, including Social Security numbers for data matching.

Data related to obtaining employment must be collected in the first quarter following program completion or can be collected while the student is enrolled, if known. Data related to employment retention must be collected in the third quarter following program exit. Data related to any other specified outcome may be collected at any time during a program year.

(c) When a student in a program is requested to provide the student's Social Security number, the student must be notified in a written form easily understandable to the student that:

(1) providing the Social Security number is optional and no adverse action may be taken against the student if the student chooses not to provide the Social Security number;

(2) the request is made under section 124D.52, subdivision 7;

(3) if the student provides the Social Security number, it will be used to assess the effectiveness of the program by tracking the student's subsequent career; and

(4) the Social Security number will be shared with the Department of Education; Minnesota State Colleges and Universities; Office of Higher Education; Department of Human Services; and Department of Employment and Economic Development in order to accomplish the purposes described in paragraph (a) and will not be used for any other purpose or reported to any other governmental entities.

(d) Annually a district, group of districts, state agency, or private nonprofit organization providing programs under this section must forward the tracking data collected to the Department of Education. For the purposes of longitudinal studies on the employment status of former students under this section, the Department of Education must forward the Social Security numbers to the Department of Employment and Economic Development to electronically match the Social Security numbers of former students with wage detail reports filed under section 268.044. The results of data matches must, for purposes of this section and consistent with the requirements of the United States Code, title 29, section 2871, of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, be compiled in a longitudinal form by the Department of Employment and Economic Development and released to the Department of Education in the form of summary data that does not identify the individual students. The Department of Education may release this summary data. State funding for adult basic education programs must not be based on the number or percentage of students who decline to provide their Social Security numbers or on whether the program is evaluated by means of a follow-up survey instead of data matching.

Subd. 8. **Standard high school diploma for adults.** (a) The commissioner shall adopt rules for providing a standard adult high school diploma to persons who:

- (1) are not eligible for kindergarten through grade 12 services;
- (2) do not have a high school diploma; and

(3) successfully complete an adult basic education program of instruction approved by the commissioner of education necessary to earn an adult high school diploma.

(b) Persons participating in an approved adult basic education program of instruction must demonstrate the competencies, knowledge, and skills and, where appropriate, English language proficiency, sufficient to ensure that postsecondary programs and institutions and potential employers regard persons with a standard high school diploma and persons with a standard adult high school diploma as equally well prepared and qualified graduates. Approved adult basic education programs of instruction under this subdivision must issue a standard adult high school diploma to persons who successfully demonstrate the competencies, knowledge, and skills required by the program.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.522, is amended to read:

**124D.522 ADULT BASIC EDUCATION SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICE GRANTS.**

(a) The commissioner, in consultation with the policy review task force under section 124D.521, may make grants to nonprofit organizations to provide services that are not offered by a district adult basic education program or that are supplemental to either the statewide adult basic education program, or a district's adult basic education program. The commissioner may make grants for: staff development for adult basic education teachers and administrators; training for volunteer tutors; training, services, and materials for serving disabled students through adult basic education programs; statewide promotion of adult basic education services and programs; development and dissemination of instructional and administrative technology for adult basic education programs; programs which primarily serve communities of color; adult basic education distance learning projects, including television instruction programs; initiatives to accelerate English language acquisition and the achievement of career- and college-ready skills among English learners; and other supplemental services to support the mission of adult basic education and innovative delivery of adult basic education services.

(b) The commissioner must establish eligibility criteria and grant application procedures. Grants under this section must support services throughout the state, focus on educational results for adult learners, and promote outcome-based achievement through adult basic education programs. Beginning in fiscal year 2002, the commissioner may make grants under this section from the state total adult basic education aid set aside for supplemental service grants under section 124D.531. Up to one-fourth of the appropriation for supplemental service grants must be used for grants for adult basic education programs to encourage and support innovations in adult basic education instruction and service delivery. A grant to a single organization cannot exceed 20 percent of the total supplemental services aid. Nothing in this section prevents an approved adult basic education program from using state or federal aid to purchase supplemental services.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.59, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **English learner.** (a) "English learner" means a pupil in kindergarten through grade 12 who meets the requirements under subdivision 2a or the following requirements:

(1) the pupil, as declared by a parent or guardian first learned a language other than English, comes from a home where the language usually spoken is other than English, or usually speaks a language other than English; and



(2) the pupil is determined by a valid assessment measuring the pupil's English language proficiency and by developmentally appropriate measures, which might include observations, teacher judgment, parent recommendations, or developmentally appropriate assessment instruments, to lack the necessary English skills to participate fully in academic classes taught in English.

(b) ~~Notwithstanding paragraph (a),~~ A pupil enrolled in a Minnesota public school in grades any grade 4 through 12 who ~~was enrolled in a Minnesota public school on the dates during in the previous school year when a commissioner provided~~ took a commissioner-provided assessment that ~~measures measuring~~ the pupil's emerging academic English ~~was administered~~, shall not be counted as an English learner in calculating English learner pupil units under section 126C.05, subdivision 17, and shall not generate state English learner aid under section 124D.65, subdivision 5, ~~unless if~~ the pupil scored below the state cutoff score or is otherwise counted as a nonproficient participant on ~~an the~~ assessment measuring the pupil's emerging academic English provided by the commissioner during the previous school year and in the judgment of the pupil's classroom teachers, consistent with section 124D.61, clause (1), the pupil is unable to demonstrate academic language proficiency in English, including oral academic language, sufficient to successfully and fully participate in the general core curriculum in the regular classroom.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), a pupil in kindergarten through grade 12 shall not be counted as an English learner in calculating English learner pupil units under section 126C.05, subdivision 17, and shall not generate state English learner aid under section 124D.65, subdivision 5, if:

(1) the pupil is not enrolled during the current fiscal year in an educational program for English learners ~~in accordance with~~ under sections 124D.58 to 124D.64; or

(2) the pupil has generated five or more years of average daily membership in Minnesota public schools since July 1, 1996.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.59, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. **English learner; interrupted formal education.** Consistent with subdivision 2, an English learner includes an English learner with an interrupted formal education who:

(1) comes from a home where the language usually spoken is other than English, or usually speaks a language other than English;

(2) enters school in the United States after grade 6;

(3) has at least two years less schooling than the English learner's peers;

(4) functions at least two years below expected grade level in reading and mathematics; and

(5) may be preliterate in the English learner's native language.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.895, is amended to read:

#### **124D.895 PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMS.**

Subdivision 1. **Program goals.** The department, in consultation with the state curriculum advisory committee, must develop guidelines and model plans for parental involvement programs that will:

(1) engage the interests and talents of parents or guardians in recognizing and meeting the emotional, intellectual, native and English language development, and physical needs of their school-age children;

(2) promote healthy self-concepts among parents or guardians and other family members;

(3) offer parents or guardians a chance to share and learn about educational skills, techniques, and ideas;

(4) provide creative learning experiences for parents or guardians and their school-age children, including involvement from parents or guardians of color;

(5) encourage parents to actively participate in their district's curriculum advisory committee under section 120B.11 in order to assist the school board in improving children's education programs; and

(6) encourage parents to help in promoting school desegregation/integration under sections 124D.861 and 124D.862.

Subd. 2. **Plan contents.** Model plans for a parental involvement program must include at least the following:

(1) program goals;

(2) means for achieving program goals;

(3) methods for informing parents or guardians, in a timely way, about the program;

(4) strategies for ensuring the full participation of parents or guardians, including those parents or guardians who lack literacy skills or whose native language is not English, including the involvement from of parents or guardians of color;

(5) procedures for coordinating the program with kindergarten through grade 12 curriculum, with parental involvement programs currently available in the community, with the ~~process under sections 120B.10 to~~ world's best workforce under section 120B.11, and with other education facilities located in the community;

(6) strategies for training teachers and other school staff to work effectively with parents and guardians;

(7) procedures for parents or guardians and educators to evaluate and report progress toward program goals; and

(8) a mechanism for convening a local community advisory committee composed primarily of parents or guardians to advise a district on implementing a parental involvement program.

Subd. 3. **Plan activities.** Activities contained in the model plans must include:

(1) educational opportunities for families that enhance children's learning and native and English language development;

(2) educational programs for parents or guardians on families' educational responsibilities and resources;

(3) the hiring, training, and use of parental involvement liaison workers to coordinate family involvement activities and to foster linguistic and culturally competent communication among families, educators, and students, consistent with the definition of culturally competent under section 120B.11, subdivision 1, paragraph (d);

(4) curriculum materials and assistance in implementing home and community-based learning activities that reinforce and extend classroom instruction and student motivation;

(5) technical assistance, including training to design and carry out family involvement programs;

(6) parent resource centers;

(7) parent training programs and reasonable and necessary expenditures associated with parents' attendance at training sessions;

(8) reports to parents on children's progress;

(9) use of parents as classroom volunteers, or as volunteers in before and after school programs for school-age children, tutors, and aides;

(10) soliciting parents' suggestions in planning, developing, and implementing school programs;

(11) educational programs and opportunities for parents or guardians that are multicultural, multilingual, gender fair, and disability sensitive;

(12) involvement in a district's curriculum advisory committee or a school building team under section 120B.11; and

(13) opportunities for parent involvement in developing, implementing, or evaluating school and district desegregation/integration plans under sections 124D.861 and 124D.862.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.8955, is amended to read:

**124D.8955 PARENT AND FAMILY INVOLVEMENT POLICY.**

(a) In order to promote and support student achievement, a local school board is encouraged to formally adopt and implement a parent and family involvement policy that promotes and supports:

(1) oral and written communication between home and school that is regular, two-way, and meaningful, and in families' native language;

(2) parenting skills;

(3) parents and caregivers who play an integral role in assisting student learning and learn about fostering students' academic success and learning at home and school;

(4) welcoming parents in the school and using networks that support families' cultural connections, seeking their support and assistance;

(5) partnerships with parents in the decisions that affect children and families in the schools; and

(6) providing community resources to strengthen schools, families, and student learning.

(b) A school board that implements a parent and family involvement policy under paragraph (a) must convene an advisory committee composed of an equal number of resident parents who are not district employees and school staff to make recommendations to the board on developing and

evaluating the board's parent and family involvement policy. If possible, the advisory committee must represent the diversity of the district. The advisory committee must consider the district's demographic diversity and barriers to parent involvement when developing its recommendations. The advisory committee must present its recommendations to the board for board consideration.

(c) The board must consider research-based best practices when implementing this policy.

(d) The board periodically must review this policy to determine whether it is aligned with the most current research findings on parent involvement policies and practices and how effective the policy is in supporting increased student achievement.

(e) Nothing in this section obligates a school district to exceed any parent or family involvement requirement under federal law.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 127A.70, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Powers and duties; report.** (a) The partnership shall develop recommendations to the governor and the legislature designed to maximize the achievement of all P-20 students while promoting the efficient use of state resources, thereby helping the state realize the maximum value for its investment. These recommendations may include, but are not limited to, strategies, policies, or other actions focused on:

(1) improving the quality of and access to education at all points from preschool through graduate education;

(2) improving preparation for, and transitions to, postsecondary education and work; and

(3) ensuring educator quality by creating rigorous standards for teacher recruitment, teacher preparation, induction and mentoring of beginning teachers, and continuous professional development for career teachers.

(b) Under the direction of the P-20 Education Partnership Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System Governance Committee, the Office of Higher Education and the Departments of Education and Employment and Economic Development shall improve and expand the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System (SLEDS) to provide policymakers, education and workforce leaders, researchers, and members of the public with data, research, and reports to:

(1) expand reporting on students' educational outcomes for diverse student populations including at-risk students, children with disabilities, English learners, and gifted students, among others, and include formative and summative evaluations based on multiple measures of student progress toward career and college readiness;

(2) evaluate the effectiveness of educational and workforce programs; and

(3) evaluate the relationship between education and workforce outcomes, consistent with section 124D.49.

To the extent possible under federal and state law, research and reports should be accessible to the public on the Internet, and disaggregated by demographic characteristics, organization or organization characteristics, and geography.

It is the intent of the legislature that the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System inform public policy and decision-making. The SLEDS governance committee, with assistance from staff of the Office of Higher Education, the Department of Education, and the Department of Employment and Economic Development, shall respond to legislative committee and agency requests on topics utilizing data made available through the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System as resources permit. Any analysis of or report on the data must contain only summary data.

(c) By January 15 of each year, the partnership shall submit a report to the governor and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over P-20 education policy and finance that summarizes the partnership's progress in meeting its goals and identifies the need for any draft legislation when necessary to further the goals of the partnership to maximize student achievement while promoting efficient use of resources.

Sec. 38. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.19, subdivision 3, is repealed effective the day following final enactment.

**ARTICLE 8**

**INTERSTATE COMPACT ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 127A.70, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Establishment; membership.** (a) A P-20 education partnership is established to create a seamless system of education that maximizes achievements of all students, from early childhood through elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education, while promoting the efficient use of financial and human resources. The partnership shall consist of major statewide educational groups or constituencies or noneducational statewide organizations with a stated interest in P-20 education. The initial membership of the partnership includes the members serving on the Minnesota P-16 Education Partnership and four legislators appointed as follows:

(1) one senator from the majority party and one senator from the minority party, appointed by the Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on Rules and Administration; and

(2) one member of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house and one member appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.

(b) The chair of the P-16 education partnership must convene the first meeting of the P-20 partnership. Prospective members may be nominated by any partnership member and new members will be added with the approval of a two-thirds majority of the partnership. The partnership will also seek input from nonmember organizations whose expertise can help inform the partnership's work.

(c) Partnership members shall be represented by the chief executives, presidents, or other formally designated leaders of their respective organizations, or their designees. The partnership shall meet at least three times during each calendar year.

(d) The P-20 education partnership shall be the state council for the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children under section 127A.85 with the chair serving as the compact commissioner responsible for the administration and management of the state's participation in the compact. When conducting business required under section 127A.85, the P-20

partnership shall include a representative from a military installation appointed by the adjutant general of the Minnesota National Guard.

**Sec. 2. [127A.85] INTERSTATE COMPACT ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN.**

**ARTICLE I**

**PURPOSE**

It is the purpose of this compact to remove barriers to educational success imposed on children of military families because of frequent moves and deployment of their parents by:

A. facilitating the timely enrollment of children of military families and ensuring that they are not placed at a disadvantage due to difficulty in the transfer of education records from the previous school district(s) or variations in entrance/age requirements.

B. Facilitating the student placement process through which children of military families are not disadvantaged by variations in attendance requirements, scheduling, sequencing, grading, course content, or assessment.

C. Facilitating the qualification and eligibility for enrollment, educational programs, and participation in extracurricular academic, athletic, and social activities.

D. Facilitating the on-time graduation of children of military families.

E. Providing for the promulgation and enforcement of administrative rules implementing the provisions of this compact.

F. Providing for the uniform collection and sharing of information between and among member states, schools, and military families under this compact.

G. Promoting coordination between this compact and other compacts affecting military children.

H. Promoting flexibility and cooperation between the educational system, parents, and the student in order to achieve educational success for the student.

**ARTICLE II**

**DEFINITIONS**

As used in this compact, unless the context clearly requires a different construction:

A. "Active duty" means: full-time duty status in the active uniformed service of the United States, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders pursuant to United States code, title 10, sections 1209 and 1211.

B. "Children of military families" means: a school-aged child(ren), enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12, in the household of an active duty member.

C. "Compact commissioner" means: the voting representative of each compacting state appointed pursuant to Article VIII of this compact.

D. "Deployment" means: the period one month prior to the service members' departure from their home station on military orders through six months after return to their home station.

E. "Education(al) records" means: those official records, files, and data directly related to a student and maintained by the school or local education agency, including but not limited to records encompassing all the material kept in the student's cumulative folder, such as general identifying data, records of attendance and of academic work completed, records of achievement and results of evaluative tests, health data, disciplinary status, test protocols, and individualized education programs.

F. "Extracurricular activities" means: a voluntary activity sponsored by the school or local education agency or an organization sanctioned by the local education agency. Extracurricular activities include, but are not limited to, preparation for and involvement in public performances, contests, athletic competitions, demonstrations, displays, and club activities.

G. "Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunity for Military Children" means: the commission that is created under Article IX of this compact, which is generally referred to as Interstate Commission.

H. "Local education agency" means: a public authority legally constituted by the state as an administrative agency to provide control of and direction for kindergarten through grade 12 public educational institutions.

I. "Member state" means: a state that has enacted this compact.

J. "Military installation" means: a base, camp, post, station, yard, center, homeport facility for any ship, or other activity under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defence, including any leased facility, which is located within any of the several states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other United States territory. Such term does not include any facility used primarily for civil works, rivers and harbors projects, or flood control projects.

K. "Nonmember state" means: a state that has not enacted this compact.

L. "Receiving state" means: the state to which a child of a military family is sent, brought, or caused to be sent or brought.

M. "Rule" means: a written statement by the Interstate Commission promulgated pursuant to Article XII of this compact that is of general applicability, implements, interprets, or prescribes a policy or provision of the Compact, or an organizational, procedural, or practice requirement of the Interstate Commission, and has the force and effect of statutory law in a member state, and includes the amendment, repeal, or suspension of an existing rule.

N. "Sending state" means: the state from which a child of a military family is sent, brought, or caused to be sent or brought.

O. "State" means: a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other United States territory.

P. "Student" means: the child of a military family for whom the local education agency receives public funding and who is formally enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12.

Q. "Transition" means: (1) the formal and physical process of transferring from school to school or (2) the period of time in which a student moves from one school in the sending state to another school in the receiving state.

R. "Uniformed service(s)" means: the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard as well as the commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Public Health Services.

S. "Veteran" means: a person who served in the uniformed services and who was discharged or released there from under conditions other than dishonorable.

### ARTICLE III

#### APPLICABILITY

A. Except as otherwise provided in Section B, this compact shall apply to the children of:

1. active duty members of the uniformed services as defined in this compact, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders pursuant to United States Code, title 10, sections 1209 and 1211;

2. members or veterans of the uniformed services who are severely injured and medically discharged or retired for a period of one year after medical discharge or retirement; and

3. members of the uniformed services who die on active duty or as a result of injuries sustained on active duty for a period of one year after death.

B. The provisions of this interstate compact shall only apply to local education agencies as defined in this compact.

C. The provisions of this compact shall not apply to the children of:

1. inactive members of the national guard and military reserves;

2. members of the uniformed services now retired, except as provided in Section A;

3. veterans of the uniformed services, except as provided in Section A; and

4. other United States Department of Defense personnel and other federal agency civilian and contract employees not defined as active duty members of the uniformed services.

### ARTICLE IV

#### EDUCATIONAL RECORDS AND ENROLLMENT

A. Unofficial or "hand-carried" education records - In the event that official education records cannot be released to the parents for the purpose of transfer, the custodian of the records in the sending state shall prepare and furnish to the parent a complete set of unofficial educational records containing uniform information as determined by the Interstate Commission. Upon receipt of the unofficial education records by a school in the receiving state, the school shall enroll and appropriately place the student based on the information provided in the unofficial records pending validation by the official records, as quickly as possible.

B. Official education records/transcripts - Simultaneous with the enrollment and conditional placement of the student, the school in the receiving state shall request the student's official education



record from the school in the sending state. Upon receipt of this request, the school in the sending state will process and furnish the official education records to the school in the receiving state within ten days or within such time as reasonably determined under rules promulgated by the Interstate Commission.

C. Immunizations - Compacting states shall give 30 days from the date of enrollment or within such time as is reasonably determined under the rules promulgated by the Interstate Commission, for students to obtain any immunization(s) required by the receiving state. For a series of immunizations, initial vaccinations must be obtained within 30 days or within such time as is reasonably determined under the rules promulgated by the Interstate Commission.

D. Kindergarten and first grade entrance age - Students shall be allowed to continue their enrollment at grade level in the receiving state commensurate with their grade level (including kindergarten) from a local education agency in the sending state at the time of transition, regardless of age. A student that has satisfactorily completed the prerequisite grade level in the local education agency in the sending state shall be eligible for enrollment in the next highest grade level in the receiving state, regardless of age. A student transferring after the start of the school year in the receiving state shall enter the school in the receiving state on their validated level from an accredited school in the sending state.

## ARTICLE V

### PLACEMENT AND ATTENDANCE

A. Course placement - When the student transfers before or during the school year, the receiving state school shall initially honor placement of the student in educational courses based on the student's enrollment in the sending state school and/or educational assessments conducted at the school in the sending state if the courses are offered. Course placement includes but is not limited to Honors, International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, vocational, technical, and career pathways courses. Continuing the student's academic program from the previous school and promoting placement in academically and career challenging courses should be paramount when considering placement. This does not preclude the school in the receiving state from performing subsequent evaluations to ensure appropriate placement and continued enrollment of the student in the course(s).

B. Educational program placement - The receiving state school shall initially honor placement of the student in educational programs based on the current educational assessments conducted at the school in the sending state or participation/placement in like programs in the sending state. Such programs include, but are not limited to: (1) gifted and talented programs; and (2) English as a second language (ESL). This does not preclude the school in the receiving state from performing subsequent evaluations to ensure appropriate placement of the student.

C. Special education services - (1) in compliance with the federal requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), United States Code Annotated, Title 20, section 1400 et seq., the receiving state shall initially provide comparable services to a student with disabilities based on his/her current Individualized Education Program (IEP); and (2) in compliance with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, United States Code Annotated, title 29, section 794, and with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, United States Code Annotated, title 42, sections 12131 to 12165, the receiving state shall make reasonable accommodations and modifications to address the needs of incoming students with disabilities, subject to an existing

504 or Title II Plan, to provide the student with equal access to education. This does not preclude the school in the receiving state from performing subsequent evaluations to ensure appropriate placement of the student.

D. Placement flexibility - Local education agency administrative officials shall have flexibility in waiving course/program prerequisites, or other preconditions for placement in courses/programs offered under the jurisdiction of the local education agency.

E. Absence as related to deployment activities - A student whose parent or legal guardian is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined by the compact, and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or combat support posting, shall be granted additional excused absences at the discretion of the local education agency superintendent to visit with his or her parent or legal guardian relative to such leave or deployment of the parent or guardian.

## ARTICLE VI

### ELIGIBILITY

#### A. Eligibility for enrollment

1. Special power of attorney, relative to the guardianship of a child of a military family and executed under applicable law shall be sufficient for the purposes of enrollment and all other actions requiring parental participation and consent.

2. A local education agency shall be prohibited from charging local tuition to a transitioning military child placed in the care of a noncustodial parent or other person standing in loco parentis who lives in a jurisdiction other than that of the custodial parent.

3. A transitioning military child, placed in the care of a noncustodial parent or other person standing in loco parentis who lives in a jurisdiction other than that of the custodial parent, may continue to attend the school in which he/she was enrolled while residing with the custodial parent.

B. Eligibility for extracurricular participation - State and local education agencies shall facilitate the opportunity for transitioning military children's inclusion in extracurricular activities, regardless of application deadlines, to the extent they are otherwise qualified.

## ARTICLE VII

### GRADUATION

In order to facilitate the on-time graduation of children of military families, states and local education agencies shall incorporate the following procedures:

A. Waiver requirements - Local education agency administrative officials shall waive specific courses required for graduation if similar coursework has been satisfactorily completed in another local education agency or shall provide reasonable justification for denial. Should a waiver not be granted to a student who would qualify to graduate from the sending school, the local education agency shall provide an alternative means of acquiring required coursework so that graduation may occur on time.

B. Exit exams - States shall accept: (1) exit or end-of-course exams required for graduation from the sending state, (2) national norm-referenced achievement tests, or (3) alternative testing, in lieu of

testing requirements for graduation in the receiving state. In the event the above alternatives cannot be accommodated by the receiving state for a student transferring in his or her senior year, then the provisions of Article VII, Section C shall apply.

C. Transfers during senior year - Should a military student transferring at the beginning or during his or her senior year be ineligible to graduate from the receiving local education agency after all alternatives have been considered, the sending and receiving local education agencies shall ensure the receipt of a diploma from the sending local education agency, if the student meets the graduation requirements of the sending local education agency. In the event that one of the states in question is not a member of this compact, the member state shall use best efforts to facilitate the on-time graduation of the student in accordance with Sections A and B of this Article.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **STATE COORDINATION**

A. Each member state shall, through the creation of a State Council or use of an existing body or board, provide for the coordination among its agencies of government, local education agencies, and military installations concerning the state's participation in, and compliance with, this compact and Interstate Commission activities. While each member state may determine the membership of its own State Council, its membership must include at least: the state superintendent of education, superintendent of a school district with a high concentration of military children, representative from a military installation, one representative each from the legislative and executive branches of government, and other offices and stakeholder groups the State Council deems appropriate. A member state that does not have a school district deemed to contain a high concentration of military children may appoint a superintendent from another school district to represent local education agencies on the State Council.

B. The State Council of each member state shall appoint or designate a military family education liaison to assist military families and the state in facilitating the implementation of this compact.

C. The compact commissioner responsible for the administration and management of the state's participation in the compact shall be appointed by the governor or as otherwise determined by each member state.

D. The compact commissioner and the military family education liaison designated herein shall be ex-officio members of the State Council, unless either is already a full voting member of the State council.

### **ARTICLE IX**

#### **INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY CHILDREN**

The member states hereby create the "Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunity for Military Children." The activities of the Interstate Commission are the formation of public policy and are a discretionary state function. The Interstate Commission shall:

A. Be a body corporate and joint agency of the member states and shall have all the responsibilities, powers, and duties set forth herein, and such additional powers as may be conferred upon it by a subsequent concurrent action of the respective legislatures of the member states in accordance with the terms of this compact.

B. Consist of one Interstate Commission voting representative from each member state who shall be that state's compact commissioner.

1. Each member state represented at a meeting of the Interstate Commission is entitled to one vote.

2. A majority of the total member states shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, unless a larger quorum is required by the bylaws of the Interstate Commission.

3. A representative shall not delegate a vote to another member state. In the event the compact commissioner is unable to attend a meeting of the Interstate Commission, the Governor or State Council may delegate voting authority to another person from their state for a specified meeting.

4. The bylaws may provide for meetings of the Interstate Commission to be conducted by telecommunication or electronic communication.

C. Consist of ex-officio, nonvoting representatives who are members of interested organizations. Such ex-officio members, as defined in the bylaws, may include, but not be limited to, members of the representative organizations of military family advocates, local education agency officials, parent and teacher groups, the United States Department of Defense, the Education Commission of the States, the Interstate Agreement on the Qualification of Educational Personnel, and other interstate compacts affecting the education of children of military members.

D. Meet at least once each calendar year. The chairperson may call additional meetings and, upon the request of a simple majority of the member states, shall call additional meetings.

E. Establish an executive committee, whose members shall include the officers of the Interstate Commission and such other members of the Interstate Commission as determined by the bylaws. Members of the executive committee shall serve a one-year term. Members of the executive committee shall be entitled to one vote each. The executive committee shall have the power to act on behalf of the Interstate Commission, with the exception of rulemaking, during periods when the Interstate Commission is not in session. The executive committee shall oversee the day-to-day activities of the administration of the compact, including enforcement and compliance with the provisions of the compact, its bylaws and rules, and other such duties as deemed necessary. The U.S. Department of Defense, shall serve as an ex-officio, nonvoting member of the executive committee.

F. Establish bylaws and rules that provide for conditions and procedures under which the Interstate Commission shall make its information and official records available to the public for inspection or copying. The Interstate Commission may exempt from disclosure information or official records to the extent they would adversely affect personal privacy rights or proprietary interests.

G. Public notice shall be given by the Interstate Commission of all meetings and all meetings shall be open to the public, except as set forth in the rules or as otherwise provided in the compact. The Interstate Commission and its committees may close a meeting, or portion thereof, where it determines by two-thirds vote that an open meeting would be likely to:

1. Relate solely to the Interstate Commission's internal personnel practices and procedures;
2. Disclose matters specifically exempted from disclosure by federal and state statute;

3. Disclose trade secrets or commercial or financial information which is privileged or confidential;

4. Involve accusing a person of a crime, or formally censuring a person;

5. Disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

6. Disclose investigative records compiled for law enforcement purposes; or

7. Specifically relate to the Interstate Commission's participation in a civil action or other legal proceeding.

H. For a meeting, or a portion of a meeting, closed pursuant to this provision, the Interstate Commission's legal counsel or designee shall certify that the meeting may be closed and shall reference each relevant exemptible provision. The Interstate Commission shall keep minutes which shall fully and clearly describe all matters discussed in a meeting and shall provide a full and accurate summary of actions taken, and the reasons therefore, including a description of the views expressed and the record of a roll call vote. All documents considered in connection with an action shall be identified in such minutes. All minutes and documents of a closed meeting shall remain under seal, subject to release by a majority vote of the Interstate Commission.

I. The Interstate Commission shall collect standardized data concerning the educational transition of the children of military families under this compact as directed through its rules which shall specify the data to be collected, the means of collection, and data exchange and reporting requirements. Such methods of data collection, exchange, and reporting shall, insofar as is reasonably possible, conform to current technology and coordinate its information functions with the appropriate custodian of records as identified in the bylaws and rules.

J. The Interstate Commission shall create a process that permits military officials, education officials, and parents to inform the Interstate Commission if and when there are alleged violations of the compact or its rules or when issues subject to the jurisdiction of the compact or its rules are not addressed by the state or local education agency. This section shall not be construed to create a private right of action against the Interstate Commission or any member state.

## ARTICLE X

### POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION

The Interstate commission shall have the following powers:

A. To provide for dispute resolution among member states.

B. To promulgate rules and take all necessary actions to effect the goals, purposes, and obligations as enumerated in this compact. The rules shall have the force and effect of statutory law and shall be binding in the compact states to the extent and in the manner provided in this compact.

C. To issue, upon request of a member state, advisory opinions concerning the meaning or interpretation of the interstate compact, its bylaws, rules, and actions.

D. To enforce compliance with the compact provisions, the rules promulgated by the Interstate Commission, and the bylaws, using all necessary and proper means, including but not limited to the use of judicial process.

E. To establish and maintain offices which shall be located within one or more of the member states.

F. To purchase and maintain insurance and bonds.

G. To borrow, accept, hire, or contract for services of personnel.

H. To establish and appoint committees including, but not limited to, an executive committee as required by Article IX, Section E, which shall have the power to act on behalf of the Interstate Commission in carrying out its powers and duties hereunder.

I. To elect or appoint such officers, attorneys, employees, agents, or consultants, and to fix their compensation, define their duties, and determine their qualifications; and to establish the Interstate Commission's personnel policies and programs relating to conflicts of interest, rates of compensation, and qualifications of personnel.

J. To accept any and all donations and grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials, and services, and to receive, utilize, and dispose of it.

K. To lease, purchase, accept contributions or donations of, or otherwise to own, hold, improve, or use any property, real, personal, or mixed.

L. To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, abandon, or otherwise dispose of any property, real, personal, or mixed.

M. To establish a budget and make expenditures.

N. To adopt a seal and bylaws governing the management and operation of the Interstate Commission.

O. To report annually to the legislatures, governors, judiciary, and State Councils of the member states concerning the activities of the Interstate Commission during the preceding year. Such reports shall also include any recommendations that may have been adopted by the Interstate Commission.

P. To coordinate education, training, and public awareness regarding the compact, its implementation and operation for officials and parents involved in such activity.

Q. To establish uniform standards for the reporting, collecting, and exchanging of data.

R. To maintain corporate books and records in accordance with the bylaws.

S. To perform such functions as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this compact.

T. To provide for the uniform collection and sharing of information between and among member states, schools, and military families under this compact.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION**

A. The Interstate Commission shall, by a majority of the members present and voting, within 12 months after the first interstate Commission meeting, adopt bylaws to govern its conduct as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of the compact, including, but not limited to:

1. Establishing the fiscal year of the Interstate Commission;
2. Establishing an executive committee, and such other committees as may be necessary;
3. Providing for the establishment of committees and for governing any general or specific delegation of authority or function of the Interstate Commission;
4. Providing reasonable procedures for calling and conducting meetings of the Interstate Commission, and ensuring reasonable notice of each such meeting;
5. Establishing the titles and responsibilities of the officers and staff of the Interstate Commission;
6. Providing a mechanism for concluding the operations of the Interstate Commission and the return of surplus funds that may exist upon the termination of the compact after the payment and reserving of all of its debts and obligations.
7. Providing "start up" rules for initial administration of the compact.

B. The Interstate Commission shall, by a majority of the members, elect annually from among its members a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a treasurer, each of whom shall have such authority and duties as may be specified in the bylaws. The chairperson or, in the chairperson's absence or disability, the vice-chairperson, shall preside at all meetings of the Interstate Commission. The officers so elected shall serve without compensation or remuneration from the Interstate Commission; provided that, subject to the availability of budgeted funds, the officers shall be reimbursed for ordinary and necessary costs and expenses incurred by them in the performance of their responsibilities as officers of the Interstate Commission.

C. Executive Committee, Officers and Personnel

1. The executive committee shall have such authority and duties as may be set forth in the bylaws, including but not limited to:

a. Managing the affairs of the Interstate Commission in a manner consistent with the bylaws and purposes of the Interstate Commission;

b. Overseeing an organizational structure within, and appropriate procedures for, the Interstate Commission to provide for the creation of rules, operating procedures, and administrative and technical support functions; and

c. Planning, implementing, and coordinating communications and activities with other state, federal, and local government organizations in order to advance the goals of the Interstate Commission.

2. The executive committee may, subject to the approval of the Interstate Commission, appoint or retain an executive director for such period, upon such terms and conditions and for compensation, as the Interstate Commission may deem appropriate. The executive director shall serve as secretary to the Interstate Commission, but shall not be a member of the Interstate Commission. The executive director shall hire and supervise such other persons as may be authorized by the Interstate Commission.

D. The Interstate Commission's executive director and its employees shall be immune from suit and liability, either personally or in their official capacity, for a claim for damage to or loss of

property or personal injury or other civil liability caused or arising out of or relating to an actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred, or that such person had a reasonable basis for believing occurred, within the scope of Interstate Commission employment, duties, or responsibilities; provided that such person shall not be protected from suit or liability for damage, loss, injury, or liability caused by the intentional or willful and wanton misconduct of such person.

1. The liability of the Interstate Commission's executive director and employees or Interstate Commission representatives, acting within the scope of such person's employment or duties for acts, errors, or omissions occurring within such person's state may not exceed the limits of liability set forth under the Constitution and laws of that state for state officials, employees, and agents. The Interstate Commission is considered to be an instrumentality of the states for the purposes of any such action. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to protect such person from suit or liability for damage, loss, injury, or liability caused by the intentional or willful and wanton misconduct of such person.

2. The Interstate Commission shall defend the executive director and its employees and, subject to the approval of the attorney general or other appropriate legal counsel of the member state represented by an Interstate Commission representative, shall defend such Interstate Commission representative in any civil action seeking to impose liability arising out of an actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred within the scope of Interstate Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, or that the defendant had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of the Interstate Commission employment, duties, or responsibilities, provided that the actual or alleged act, error, or omission did not result from intentional or willful and wanton misconduct on the part of such person.

3. To the extent not covered by the state involved, member state, or the Interstate Commission, the representatives or employees of the Interstate Commission shall be held harmless in the amount of a settlement or judgment, including attorney fees and costs, obtained against such persons arising out of an actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred within the scope of the Interstate Commission employment, duties, or responsibilities, or that such persons had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of Interstate Commission employment, duties, or responsibilities, provided that the actual or alleged act, error, or omission did not result from intentional or willful and wanton misconduct on the part of such persons.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **RULEMAKING FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION**

A. Rulemaking Authority - The Interstate Commission shall promulgate reasonable rules in order to effectively and efficiently achieve the purposes of this Compact. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event the Interstate Commission exercises its rulemaking authority in a manner that is beyond the scope of the purposes of this Act, or the powers granted hereunder, then such an action by the Interstate Commission shall be invalid and have no force or effect.

B. Rulemaking Procedure - Rules shall be made pursuant to a rulemaking process that substantially conforms to the "Model State Administrative Procedure Act," of 1981 Act, Uniform Laws Annotated, Vol. 15, p.1 (2000) as amended, as may be appropriate to the operations of the Interstate Commission.

C. Not later than 30 days after a rule is promulgated, any person may file a petition for judicial review of the rule; provided that the filing of such a petition shall not stay or otherwise prevent the



rule from becoming effective unless the court finds that the petitioner has a substantial likelihood of success. The court shall give deference to the actions of the Interstate Commission consistent with applicable law and shall not find the rule to be unlawful if the rule represents a reasonable exercise of the Interstate Commission's authority.

D. If a majority of the legislatures of the compacting states reject a Rule by enactment of a statute or resolution in the same manner used to adopt the compact, then such rule shall have no further force and effect in any compacting state.

### ARTICLE XIII

#### OVERSIGHT, ENFORCEMENT, AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

##### A. Oversight

1. The executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state government in each member state shall enforce this compact and shall take all actions necessary and appropriate to effectuate the compact's purposes and intent. The provisions of this compact and the rules promulgated hereunder shall have standing as statutory law.

2. All courts shall take judicial notice of the compact and the rules in any judicial or administrative proceeding in a member state pertaining to the subject matter of this compact which may affect the powers, responsibilities, or actions of the Interstate Commission.

3. The Interstate Commission shall be entitled to receive all service of process in any such proceeding, and shall have standing to intervene in the proceeding for all purposes. Failure to provide service of process to the Interstate Commission shall render a judgment or order void as to the Interstate Commission, this compact, or promulgated rules.

B. Default, Technical Assistance, Suspension, and Termination - If the Interstate Commission determines that a member state has defaulted in the performance of its obligations or responsibilities under this compact, or the bylaws or promulgated rules, the Interstate Commission shall:

1. Provide written notice to the defaulting state and other member states of the nature of the default, the means of curing the default, and any action taken by the Interstate Commission. The Interstate Commission shall specify the conditions by which the defaulting state must cure its default.

2. Provide remedial training and specific technical assistance regarding the default.

3. If the defaulting state fails to cure the default, the defaulting state shall be terminated from the compact upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the member states and all rights, privileges, and benefits conferred by this compact shall be terminated from the effective date of termination. A cure of the default does not relieve the offending state of obligations or liabilities incurred during the period of the default.

4. Suspension or termination of membership in the compact shall be imposed only after all other means of securing compliance have been exhausted. Notice of intent to suspend or terminate shall be given by the Interstate Commission to the governor, the majority and minority leaders of the defaulting state's legislature, and each of the member states.

5. The state which has been suspended or terminated is responsible for all assessments, obligations, and liabilities incurred through the effective date of suspension or termination,

including obligations, the performance of which extends beyond the effective date of suspension or termination.

6. The Interstate Commission shall not bear any costs relating to any state that has been found to be in default or which has been suspended or terminated from the compact, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon in writing between the Interstate Commission and the defaulting state.

7. The defaulting state may appeal the action of the Interstate Commission by petitioning the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or the federal district where the Interstate Commission has its principle offices. The prevailing party shall be awarded all costs of such litigation including reasonable attorney fees.

#### C. Dispute Resolution

1. The Interstate Commission shall attempt, upon the request of a member state, to resolve disputes which are subject to the compact and which may arise among member states and between member and nonmember states.

2. The Interstate Commission shall promulgate a rule providing for both mediation and binding dispute resolution for disputes as appropriate.

#### D. Enforcement

1. The Interstate Commission, in the reasonable exercise of its discretion, shall enforce the provisions and rules of this compact.

2. The Interstate Commission may, by majority vote of the members, initiate legal action in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or, at the discretion of the Interstate Commission, in the federal district where the Interstate Commission has its principal offices, to enforce compliance with the provisions of the compact, its promulgated rules and bylaws, against a member state in default. The relief sought may include both injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial enforcement is necessary the prevailing party shall be awarded all costs of such litigation including reasonable attorney fees.

3. The remedies herein shall not be the exclusive remedies of the Interstate Commission. The Interstate Commission may avail itself of any other remedies available under state law or the regulation of a profession.

### **ARTICLE XIV**

#### **FINANCING OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION**

A. The Interstate Commission shall pay, or provide for the payment of the reasonable expenses of its establishment, organization, and ongoing activities.

B. The Interstate Commission may levy on and collect an annual assessment from each member state to cover the cost of the operations and activities of the Interstate Commission and its staff which must be in a total amount sufficient to cover the Interstate Commission's annual budget as approved each year. The aggregate annual assessment amount shall be allocated based upon a formula to be determined by the Interstate Commission, which shall promulgate a rule binding upon all member states.

C. The Interstate Commission shall not incur obligations of any kind prior to securing the funds adequate to meet the same; nor shall the Interstate Commission pledge the credit of any of the member states, except by and with the authority of the member state.

D. The Interstate Commission shall keep accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements. The receipts and disbursements of the Interstate Commission shall be subject to the audit and accounting procedures established under its bylaws. However, all receipts and disbursements of funds handled by the Interstate Commission shall be audited yearly by a certified or licensed public accountant and the report of the audit shall be included in and become part of the annual report of the Interstate Commission.

## ARTICLE XV

### MEMBER STATES, EFFECTIVE DATE, AND AMENDMENT

A. Any state is eligible to become a member state.

B. The compact shall become effective and binding upon legislative enactment of the compact into law by no less than ten of the states. The effective date shall be no earlier than December 1, 2007. Thereafter, it shall become effective and binding as to any other member state upon enactment of the compact into law by that state. The governors of nonmember states or their designees shall be invited to participate in the activities of the Interstate Commission on a nonvoting basis prior to the adoption of the compact by all states.

C. The Interstate Commission may propose amendments to the compact for enactment by the member states. No amendment shall become effective and binding upon the Interstate Commission and the member states unless and until it is enacted into law by unanimous consent of the member states.

## ARTICLE XVI

### WITHDRAWAL AND DISSOLUTION

A. Withdrawal

1. Once effective, the compact shall continue in force and remain binding upon each and every member state; provided that a member state may withdraw from the compact specifically repealing the statute, which enacted the compact into law.

2. Withdrawal from this compact shall be by the enactment of a statute repealing the same, but shall not take effect until one year after the effective date of such statute and until written notice of the withdrawal has been given by the withdrawing state to the governor of each other member jurisdiction.

3. The withdrawing state shall immediately notify the chairperson of the Interstate Commission in writing upon the introduction of legislation repealing this compact in the withdrawing state. The Interstate Commission shall notify the other member states of the withdrawing state's intent to withdraw within 60 days of its receipt thereof.

4. The withdrawing state is responsible for all assessments, obligations and liabilities incurred through the effective date of withdrawal, including obligations, the performance of which extend beyond the effective date of withdrawal.

5. Reinstatement following withdrawal of a member state shall occur upon the withdrawing state reenacting the compact or upon such later date as determined by the Interstate Commission.

B. Dissolution of Compact

1. This compact shall dissolve effective upon the date of the withdrawal or default of the member state which reduces the membership in the compact to one member state.

2. Upon the dissolution of this compact, the compact becomes null and void and shall be of no further force or effect, and the business and affairs of the Interstate Commission shall be concluded and surplus funds shall be distributed in accordance with the bylaws.

**ARTICLE XVII**

**SEVERABILITY AND CONSTRUCTION**

A. The provisions of this compact shall be severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or provision is deemed unenforceable, the remaining provisions of the compact shall be enforceable.

B. The provisions of this compact shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purposes.

C. Nothing in this compact shall be construed to prohibit the applicability of other interstate compacts to which the states are members.

**ARTICLE XVIII**

**BINDING EFFECT OF COMPACT AND OTHER LAWS**

A. Other Laws

1. Nothing herein prevents the enforcement of any other law of a member state that is not inconsistent with this compact.

2. All member states' laws conflicting with this compact are superseded to the extent of the conflict.

B. Binding Effect of the Compact

1. All lawful actions of the Interstate Commission, including all rules and bylaws promulgated by the Interstate Commission, are binding upon the member states.

2. All agreements between the Interstate Commission and the member states are binding in accordance with their terms.

3. In the event any provision of this compact exceeds the constitutional limits imposed on the legislature of any member state, such provision shall be ineffective to the extent of the conflict with the constitutional provision in question in that member state.

**Sec. 3. MILITARY-CONNECTED YOUTH IDENTIFIER.**

(a) When a school district updates its enrollment forms in the ordinary course of business, the district must include a box on the enrollment form to allow students to self-identify as a military-connected youth. For purposes of this section, a "military-connected youth" means having an immediate family member, including a parent or sibling, who is currently in the armed forces either as a reservist or on active duty or has recently retired from the armed forces.

(b) Data collected under this section is private data, but summary data may be published by the Department of Education.

## ARTICLE 9

### UNSESSION CHANGES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 121A.36, is amended to read:

#### **121A.36 MOTORCYCLE SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

Subdivision 1. **Established; administration; rules.** A motorcycle safety education program is established. The program shall be administered by the ~~commissioners~~ commissioner of public safety ~~and education~~. The program shall include but is not limited to training and coordination of motorcycle safety instructors, motorcycle safety promotion and public information, and reimbursement for the cost of approved courses offered by schools and organizations.

Subd. 2. **Reimbursements.** The commissioner of ~~education~~ public safety, to the extent that funds are available, may reimburse schools and other approved organizations offering approved motorcycle safety education courses for up to 50 percent of the actual cost of the courses. If sufficient funds are not available, reimbursements shall be prorated. The commissioner may conduct audits and otherwise examine the records and accounts of schools and approved organizations offering the courses to insure the accuracy of the costs.

Subd. 3. **Appropriation.** (a) All funds in the motorcycle safety fund created by section 171.06, subdivision 2a, are hereby annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety to carry out the purposes of subdivisions 1 and 2. ~~The commissioner of public safety may make grants from the fund to the commissioner of education at such times and in such amounts as the commissioner deems necessary to carry out the purposes of subdivisions 1 and 2.~~

(b) Of the money appropriated under paragraph (a):

(1) not more than five percent shall be expended to defray the administrative costs of carrying out the purposes of subdivisions 1 and 2; and

(2) not more than 65 percent shall be expended for the combined purpose of training and coordinating the activities of motorcycle safety instructors and making reimbursements to schools and other approved organizations.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.141, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Additional duties.** The following duties are added to those assigned to the council under federal law:

(1) make recommendations on the most efficient and effective way to leverage state and federal funding streams for early childhood and child care programs;

~~(2) make recommendations on how to coordinate or colocate early childhood and child care programs in one state Office of Early Learning. The council shall establish a task force to develop these recommendations. The task force shall include two nonexecutive branch or nonlegislative branch representatives from the council; six representatives from the early childhood caucus; two representatives each from the Departments of Education, Human Services, and Health; one representative each from a local public health agency, a local county human services agency, and a~~

school district; and two representatives from the private nonprofit organizations that support early childhood programs in Minnesota. In developing recommendations in coordination with existing efforts of the council, the task force shall consider how to:

~~(i) consolidate and coordinate resources and public funding streams for early childhood education and child care, and ensure the accountability and coordinated development of all early childhood education and child care services to children from birth to kindergarten entrance;~~

~~(ii) create a seamless transition from early childhood programs to kindergarten;~~

~~(iii) encourage family choice by ensuring a mixed system of high-quality public and private programs, with local points of entry, staffed by well-qualified professionals;~~

~~(iv) ensure parents a decisive role in the planning, operation, and evaluation of programs that aid families in the care of children;~~

~~(v) provide consumer education and accessibility to early childhood education and child care resources;~~

~~(vi) advance the quality of early childhood education and child care programs in order to support the healthy development of children and preparation for their success in school;~~

~~(vii) develop a seamless service delivery system with local points of entry for early childhood education and child care programs administered by local, state, and federal agencies;~~

~~(viii) ensure effective collaboration between state and local child welfare programs and early childhood mental health programs and the Office of Early Learning;~~

~~(ix) develop and manage an effective data collection system to support the necessary functions of a coordinated system of early childhood education and child care in order to enable accurate evaluation of its impact;~~

~~(x) respect and be sensitive to family values and cultural heritage; and~~

~~(xi) establish the administrative framework for and promote the development of early childhood education and child care services in order to provide that these services, staffed by well-qualified professionals, are available in every community for all families that express a need for them.~~

In addition, the task force must consider the following responsibilities for transfer to the Office of Early Learning:

~~(A) responsibilities of the commissioner of education for early childhood education programs and financing under sections 119A.50 to 119A.535, 121A.16 to 121A.19, and 124D.129 to 124D.221;~~

~~(B) responsibilities of the commissioner of human services for child care assistance, child care development, and early childhood learning and child protection facilities programs and financing under chapter 119B and section 256E.37; and~~

~~(C) responsibilities of the commissioner of health for family home visiting programs and financing under section 145A.17.~~

Any costs incurred by the council in making these recommendations must be paid from private funds. If no private funds are received, the council must not proceed in making these

recommendations. The council must report its recommendations to the governor and the legislature by January 15, 2011;

~~(3)~~ (2) review program evaluations regarding high-quality early childhood programs; and

~~(4)~~ (3) make recommendations to the governor and legislature, including proposed legislation on how to most effectively create a high-quality early childhood system in Minnesota in order to improve the educational outcomes of children so that all children are school-ready by 2020;

~~(5)~~ make recommendations to the governor and the legislature by March 1, 2011, on the creation and implementation of a statewide school readiness report card to monitor progress toward the goal of having all children ready for kindergarten by the year 2020. The recommendations shall include what should be measured including both children and system indicators, what benchmarks should be established to measure state progress toward the goal, and how frequently the report card should be published. In making their recommendations, the council shall consider the indicators and strategies for Minnesota's early childhood system report, the Minnesota school readiness study, developmental assessment at kindergarten entrance, and the work of the council's accountability committee. Any costs incurred by the council in making these recommendations must be paid from private funds. If no private funds are received, the council must not proceed in making these recommendations; and

~~(6)~~ make recommendations to the governor and the legislature on how to screen earlier and comprehensively assess children for school readiness in order to provide increased early interventions and increase the number of children ready for kindergarten. In formulating their recommendations, the council shall consider (i) ways to interface with parents of children who are not participating in early childhood education or care programs, (ii) ways to interface with family child care providers, child care centers, and school-based early childhood and Head Start programs; (iii) if there are age-appropriate and culturally sensitive screening and assessment tools for three-, four-, and five-year-olds, (iv) the role of the medical community in screening, (v) incentives for parents to have children screened at an earlier age, (vi) incentives for early education and care providers to comprehensively assess children in order to improve instructional practice, (vii) how to phase in increases in screening and assessment over time, (viii) how the screening and assessment data will be collected and used and who will have access to the data, (ix) how to monitor progress toward the goal of having 50 percent of three-year-old children screened and 50 percent of entering kindergarteners assessed for school readiness by 2015 and 100 percent of three-year-old children screened and entering kindergarteners assessed for school readiness by 2020, and (x) costs to meet these benchmarks. The council shall consider the screening instruments and comprehensive assessment tools used in Minnesota early childhood education and care programs and kindergarten. The council may survey early childhood education and care programs in the state to determine the screening and assessment tools being used or rely on previously collected survey data, if available. For purposes of this subdivision, "school readiness" is defined as the child's skills, knowledge, and behaviors at kindergarten entrance in these areas of child development: social; self-regulation; cognitive, including language, literacy, and mathematical thinking; and physical. For purposes of this subdivision, "screening" is defined as the activities used to identify a child who may need further evaluation to determine delay in development or disability. For purposes of this subdivision, "assessment" is defined as the activities used to determine a child's level of performance in order to promote the child's learning and development. Work on this duty will begin in fiscal year 2012. Any costs incurred by the council in making these recommendations must be paid from private funds. If no private funds are received, the council must not proceed in making these recommendations.

The council must report its recommendations to the governor and legislature by January 15, 2013, with an interim report on February 15, 2011.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 124D.141, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Administration.** ~~An amount up to \$12,500 from federal child care and development fund administrative funds and up to \$12,500 from prekindergarten exploratory project funds appropriated under Laws 2007, chapter 147, article 19, section 3, may be used to reimburse the parents on the council and for technical assistance and administrative support of the State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care. This funding stream is for fiscal year 2009. The council may pursue additional funds from state, federal, and private sources. If additional operational funds are received, the council must reduce the amount of prekindergarten exploratory project funds used in an equal amount.~~

Sec. 4. **REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.**

The revisor of statutes shall renumber Minnesota Statutes, section 121A.36, as section 171.335. The revisor of statutes shall also make cross-reference changes in Minnesota Statutes and Minnesota Rules consistent with the renumbering.

Sec. 5. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 119A.04, subdivision 3; 120A.30; 120B.19; 120B.24; 121A.17, subdivision 9; 122A.52; 122A.53; 122A.61, subdivision 2; 122A.71; 124D.24; 124D.25; 124D.26; 124D.27; 124D.28; 124D.29; 124D.30; and 124D.31, are repealed.

## ARTICLE 10

### UNSESSION CONFORMING CHANGES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 120A.22, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Applicability.** This section and sections 120A.24; 120A.26; ~~120A.30~~; 120A.32; and 120A.34 apply only to a child required to receive instruction according to subdivision 5 and to instruction that is intended to fulfill that requirement.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 120A.32, is amended to read:

#### **120A.32 OFFICERS, TEACHERS; NEGLECT OF DUTY; PENALTY.**

Any school officer, truant officer, public or nonpublic school teacher, principal, district superintendent, or person providing instruction other than a parent refusing, willfully failing, or neglecting to perform any duty imposed by sections 120A.22 to ~~120A.30~~ 120A.26, 120A.35, 120A.41, and 123B.03 is guilty of a misdemeanor. All persons found guilty shall be punished for each offense by a fine of not more than \$10 or by imprisonment for not more than ten days. All fines, when collected, shall be paid into the county treasury for the benefit of the school district in which the offense is committed.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.09, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Commissioner's assistance; board money.** The commissioner shall provide all necessary materials and assistance for the transaction of the business of the Board of Teaching and all moneys received by the Board of Teaching shall be paid into the state treasury as provided by



law. The expenses of administering sections 122A.01, 122A.05 to 122A.09, 122A.15, 122A.16, 122A.17, 122A.18, 122A.20, 122A.21, 122A.22, 122A.23, 122A.26, 122A.30, 122A.40, 122A.41, 122A.42, 122A.45, 122A.49, ~~122A.52, 122A.53~~, 122A.54, 122A.55, 122A.56, 122A.57, and 122A.58 which are incurred by the Board of Teaching shall be paid for from appropriations made to the Board of Teaching.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 127A.41, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Schedule adjustments.** (a) It is the intention of the legislature to encourage efficient and effective use of staff and facilities by districts. Districts are encouraged to consider both cost and energy saving measures.

(b) Any district operating a program pursuant to sections 124D.12 to 124D.127; or 124D.128, ~~or 124D.25 to 124D.29~~; or operating a commissioner-designated area learning center program under section 123A.09, or that otherwise receives the approval of the commissioner to operate its instructional program to avoid an aid reduction in any year, may adjust the annual school schedule for that program throughout the calendar year."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to education; providing for policy and technical modifications in early childhood and family, kindergarten through grade 12, and adult education including general education, education excellence, special programs, nutrition, libraries, English learners, and interstate compact on educational opportunity for military children; unsession changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 13.32, subdivision 6; 119A.50, subdivision 3; 120A.22, subdivision 2; 120A.32; 120B.022; 120B.12; 121A.36; 121A.582, subdivision 1; 122A.06, subdivision 4; 122A.09, subdivision 7; 122A.14, subdivisions 2, 3; 122A.18, subdivisions 2a, 4; 122A.19; 122A.413, subdivision 2; 122A.414, subdivision 2; 122A.60, subdivisions 1a, 2, 3; 122A.68, subdivision 3; 122A.74; 123A.06, subdivisions 2, 4; 123B.04, subdivision 4; 123B.147, subdivision 3; 123B.88, subdivision 1; 124D.03, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 124D.08, by adding a subdivision; 124D.111, subdivision 3; 124D.13, subdivision 2; 124D.141, subdivisions 2, 3; 124D.15, subdivision 3; 124D.49, subdivision 3; 124D.52, as amended; 124D.522; 124D.59, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 124D.895; 124D.8955; 125A.023, subdivisions 3, 4; 125A.027, subdivisions 1, 4; 125A.03; 125A.08; 125A.22; 127A.065; 127A.41, subdivision 7; 127A.70, subdivision 1; 134.355, subdivision 8; 260D.06, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 120B.021, subdivision 4; 120B.11; 120B.115; 120B.125; 120B.35, subdivision 3; 120B.36, subdivision 1; 122A.09, subdivision 4; 122A.18, subdivision 2; 122A.40, subdivision 8; 122A.41, subdivision 5; 124D.165, subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 124D.4531, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a; 124D.861, subdivision 3; 125A.0942, subdivision 2; 125A.30; 127A.70, subdivision 2; 626.556, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 124D; 127A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 119A.04, subdivision 3; 120A.30; 120B.19; 120B.24; 120B.35, subdivision 4; 121A.17, subdivision 9; 122A.19, subdivision 3; 122A.52; 122A.53; 122A.61, subdivision 2; 122A.71; 124D.24; 124D.25; 124D.26; 124D.27; 124D.28; 124D.29; 124D.30; 124D.31; 125A.027, subdivision 3."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2639:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting persons subject to domestic violence restraining orders from possessing weapons; requiring persons convicted of domestic

violence offenses to surrender their firearms while they are prohibited from possessing firearms; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 260C.201, subdivision 3; 518B.01, subdivision 6; 609.2242, subdivision 3; 609.749, subdivision 8; 624.713, subdivision 1.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 21, delete "and"

Page 2, line 22, delete "or" and insert ", and (3)"

Page 4, line 33, after "relief" insert "under paragraph (a)"

Page 5, line 1, delete "and" and after "to" insert "cause substantial harm to"

Page 5, line 2, delete "or" and insert ", and (3)"

Page 5, line 34, after "member" insert "and the offense involved the intentional infliction of or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another"

Page 6, line 8, before "unless" insert "and the offense involved the intentional infliction of or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another,"

Page 6, line 14, after "609.223," insert "or" and after "609.224," insert "involving the intentional infliction of or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another," and after "609.2247" insert a comma

Page 9, line 20, after the semicolon, insert "or"

Page 9, delete lines 23 and 24

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2627:** A bill for an act relating to assisted reproduction; modifying certain provisions related to determinations of paternity and maternity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 257.54; 257.541, subdivision 1; 257.55, subdivision 1.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 5, insert:

**"ARTICLE 1  
PATERNITY"**

Page 1, delete section 2

Page 3, after line 15, insert:

"Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 257.56, is amended to read:

**257.56 ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION ASSISTED REPRODUCTION.**

Subdivision 1. **Husband Intended parents treated as biological father parents.** (a) If; a woman undergoing artificial insemination under the supervision of a licensed physician and with the consent of her husband, a wife the other intended parent, if any, is inseminated artificially with using semen donated by a man not her husband, the husband from a donor who is not an intended

parent, the other intended parent, if any, is treated in law as if ~~he were~~ the biological father parent of a child thereby conceived. ~~The husband's consent must be in writing and signed by him and his wife.~~

(b) The intended parents are treated in law as if they were the biological parents of a child gestated and delivered if a woman receiving the embryo transfer is under the supervision of a licensed physician, has the consent of the other intended parent, if any, and:

(1) the embryos are created with eggs and sperm donated by persons who are not the intended parents; or

(2) the embryos are created with eggs donated by a woman who is not the intended parent and the sperm of an intended parent.

(c) Intended parents must consent in a record that they intend to become the legal parents of the resulting child. The consent must be retained by the physician for at least four years after the confirmation of a pregnancy that occurs during the process of artificial insemination or embryo transfer.

(d) All papers and records pertaining to the insemination or embryo transfer, whether part of the permanent record of a court or of a file held by the supervising physician or elsewhere, are subject to inspection only upon an order of the court for good cause shown.

(e) For purposes of this section, "intended parent" means a person, married or unmarried, who enters into a written agreement with all known donors before the date of the insemination or embryo transfer under which the person will be the legal parent of the child resulting from the insemination or embryo transfer. In the case of a married couple, any reference to an intended parent includes both parties to the marriage for all purposes of sections 257.86 to 257.97, regardless of gender.

**Subd. 2. Donor not treated as biological father parent.** If the donor of semen, eggs, or embryos provided to a licensed physician for use in artificial insemination of a married woman other than the donor's wife assisted reproduction is not an intended parent, the donor is treated in law as if ~~he the~~ donor were not the biological father parent of a child thereby conceived, gestated, and delivered.

**Subd. 3. Effect of noncompliance.** In the event of noncompliance with any of the requirements or terms of subdivision 1, a court of competent jurisdiction shall determine the respective parental rights and obligations of the parties, including intended parents and donors, based solely on evidence of the parties' original intent.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to any donations made before, on, or after that date."

Page 3, line 17, delete "Sections 1 to 3" and insert "Sections 1 and 2"

Page 3, after line 18, insert:

## "ARTICLE 2

### GESTATIONAL SURROGACY

Section 1. **[257.87] DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** The definitions in this section apply to sections 257.87 to 257.99.

Subd. 2. **Assisted reproduction.** "Assisted reproduction" means initiating a pregnancy under the supervision of a licensed physician by any means other than through sexual intercourse.

Subd. 3. **Donor.** "Donor" means an individual who is not an intended parent and who contributes a gamete or gametes for the purpose of in vitro fertilization or transfer to another.

Subd. 4. **Embryo.** "Embryo" means a fertilized egg prior to 14 days of development.

Subd. 5. **Embryo transfer.** "Embryo transfer" means all medical and laboratory procedures that are necessary to effectuate the transfer of an embryo into the uterine cavity.

Subd. 6. **Fee.** "Fee" means payment of any valuable consideration for time, effort, pain, or health risks in excess of reasonable medical and ancillary costs.

Subd. 7. **Gamete.** "Gamete" means a sperm or an egg.

Subd. 8. **Gestational surrogate.** "Gestational surrogate" means a woman who agrees to engage in a gestational surrogacy arrangement.

Subd. 9. **Gestational surrogacy arrangement.** "Gestational surrogacy arrangement" means the process by which a woman attempts to carry and give birth to a child created through assisted reproduction using the gamete or gametes procured or provided by at least one of the intended parents.

Subd. 10. **Gestational surrogacy contract.** "Gestational surrogacy contract" means a written agreement regarding a gestational surrogacy arrangement.

Subd. 11. **Health care provider.** "Health care provider" means a person who is duly licensed to provide health care, including all medical, psychological, or counseling professionals.

Subd. 12. **Intended parent.** "Intended parent" means a person who enters into a gestational surrogacy contract with a gestational surrogate pursuant to which the person will be the legal parent of the resulting child. In the case of a married couple, any reference to an intended parent includes both spouses for all purposes of sections 257.87 to 257.99, regardless of gender. This term includes the intended mothers, intended fathers, or both.

Subd. 13. **In vitro fertilization.** "In vitro fertilization" means all medical and laboratory procedures that are necessary to effectuate the extracorporeal fertilization of egg and sperm.

Subd. 14. **Medical evaluation.** "Medical evaluation" means an evaluation by and consultation with a physician conducted in accordance with the recommended guidelines published and in effect at the time of the evaluation by the American Society for Reproductive Medicine and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Subd. 15. **Mental health evaluation.** "Mental health evaluation" means an evaluation by and consultation with a mental health professional conducted in accordance with the recommended guidelines published and in effect at the time of the evaluation by the American Society for Reproductive Medicine and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Subd. 16. **Physician.** "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine.

Sec. 2. [257.88] RIGHTS OF PARENTAGE.

(a) Except as provided in sections 257.87 to 257.99, the woman who gives birth to a child is presumed to be the mother of that child for purposes of state law.

(b) In the case of a gestational surrogacy arrangement satisfying the requirements set forth in paragraph (d):

(1) the intended parents are the parents of the child for purposes of state law immediately upon the birth of the child;

(2) the child is considered the child of the intended parent or parents for purposes of state law;

(3) parental rights vest in the intended parent or parents;

(4) sole custody, care, and control of the child rests solely with the intended parent or parents immediately upon the birth of the child; and

(5) neither the gestational surrogate nor her spouse, if any, is the parent of the child for purposes of state law immediately upon the birth of the child.

(c) In the case of a gestational surrogacy arrangement complying with paragraph (d), in the event of a laboratory error in which the resulting child is not genetically related to either of the intended parents, the intended parents are the parents of the child for purposes of state law unless otherwise determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in an action brought by one or more of the genetic parents within 60 days of the child's birth.

(d) The parties to a gestational surrogacy arrangement assume the rights and obligations of paragraphs (b) and (c) if:

(1) the gestational surrogate satisfies the eligibility requirements in section 257.89, paragraph (a);

(2) the intended parent or parents satisfy the eligibility requirements in section 257.89, paragraph (b); and

(3) the gestational surrogacy arrangement occurs pursuant to a gestational surrogacy contract meeting the requirements in section 257.90.

Sec. 3. [257.89] ELIGIBILITY.

(a) A gestational surrogate satisfies the requirements of sections 257.87 to 257.99 if she has met the following requirements at the time the gestational surrogacy contract is executed:

(1) she is at least 21 years of age;

(2) she has given birth to at least one child;

(3) she has completed a medical evaluation related to the anticipated pregnancy;

(4) she has completed a mental health evaluation relating to the anticipated gestational surrogacy arrangement;

(5) she has undergone legal consultation with separate, independent legal counsel regarding the terms of the gestational surrogacy contract and the potential legal consequences of the gestational surrogacy arrangements; and

(6) (i) she has obtained or obtains prior to the embryo transfer a health insurance policy that covers major medical treatments and hospitalization and the health insurance policy has a term that extends throughout the duration of the expected pregnancy and for eight weeks after the birth of the child, provided, however, that the policy may be procured by the intended parents on behalf of the gestational surrogate pursuant to the gestational surrogacy contract; or (ii) the intended parents have self-insured by means of depositing sufficient funds to pay for all reasonably anticipated medical expenses into an escrow account with an independent escrow agent prior to the date of the first assisted reproduction procedure performed to initiate a pregnancy.

(b) The intended parent or parents satisfy the requirements of sections 257.87 to 257.99 if the parent or parents have met the following requirements at the time the gestational surrogacy contract is executed:

(1) the parent or parents procure or provide the gametes that will ultimately result in an embryo that the gestational surrogate will attempt to carry to term;

(2) the parent or parents require the services of a gestational surrogate in order to have a child, as evidenced by a qualified physician's affidavit attached to the gestational surrogacy contract;

(3) the parent or parents have completed a mental health evaluation relating to the anticipated gestational surrogacy arrangement; and

(4) the parent or parents have undergone legal consultation with separate, independent legal counsel regarding the terms of the gestational surrogacy contract and the potential legal consequences of the gestational surrogacy arrangement.

**Sec. 4. [257.90] REQUIREMENTS FOR A GESTATIONAL SURROGACY CONTRACT.**

(a) A gestational surrogacy contract is enforceable in Minnesota if:

(1) it meets the contractual requirements in paragraph (b); and

(2) it contains at least the terms in paragraph (c).

(b) A gestational surrogacy contract must meet the following requirements:

(1) it must be in writing;

(2) it must be executed prior to the commencement of any medical procedures in furtherance of the gestational surrogacy arrangement, other than medical or mental health evaluations necessary to determine eligibility of the parties under section 257.89:

(i) by a gestational surrogate meeting the eligibility requirements of section 257.89, paragraph (a), and if married, the gestational surrogate's spouse; and

(ii) by the intended parent or parents meeting the eligibility requirements of section 257.89, paragraph (b). In the event an intended parent is married, both spouses must execute the gestational surrogacy contract;

(3) the gestational surrogate and the intended parent or parents must have been represented by separate, independent legal counsel in all matters concerning the gestational surrogacy arrangement and the gestational surrogacy contract;

(4) the gestational surrogate and the intended parent or parents must have signed a written acknowledgment of their receipt of information about the legal, financial, and contractual rights, expectations, penalties, and obligations of the gestational surrogacy agreement;

(5) if the gestational surrogacy contract provides for the payment of a fee to the gestational surrogate, the fee must have been placed in escrow with an independent escrow agent prior to the gestational surrogate's commencement of any medical procedure other than medical or mental health evaluations necessary to determine the gestational surrogate's eligibility under section 257.89, paragraph (a); and

(6) it must be notarized or witnessed by two disinterested and competent adults.

(c) A gestational surrogacy contract must provide for:

(1) the express written agreement of the gestational carrier to:

(i) undergo a procedure for assisted reproduction and attempt to carry and give birth to the child; and

(ii) surrender custody of all resulting children to the intended parent or parents immediately upon the birth of the children;

(2) if the gestational surrogate is married, the express agreement of the gestational surrogate's spouse to:

(i) undertake the obligations imposed on the gestational surrogate pursuant to the terms of the gestational surrogacy contract; and

(ii) surrender custody of all resulting children to the intended parent or parents immediately upon the birth of the resulting children;

(3) the right of the gestational surrogate to use the services of a physician of her choosing, after consultation with the intended parents, to provide her care during the pregnancy, subject only to any reasonably negotiated removal or replacement procedures that the parties included in the terms of the gestational surrogacy contract; and

(4) the express written agreement of the intended parent or parents to:

(i) accept custody of all resulting children immediately upon the children's birth regardless of number, gender, or mental or physical condition; and

(ii) assume sole responsibility for the support of the child immediately upon the child's birth.

(d) A gestational surrogacy contract is enforceable in Minnesota even though it contains one or more of the following provisions:

(1) the gestational surrogate's agreement to undergo all medical examinations, treatments, and fetal monitoring procedures that the physician recommends for the success of the pregnancy;

(2) the gestational surrogate's agreement to abstain from any activities that the intended parent or parents or the physician reasonably believes to be harmful to the pregnancy and future health of the

child, including, without limitation, smoking, drinking alcohol, using nonprescribed drugs, using prescription drugs not authorized by a physician aware of the gestational surrogate's pregnancy, exposure to radiation, or any other activities proscribed by a health care provider, provided that the requirements under this clause must not actually and unreasonably jeopardize the gestational surrogate's own health;

(3) the agreement of the intended parent or parents to pay for or reimburse the gestational surrogate for reasonable expenses including, without limitation, medical, legal, or other professional expenses related to the gestational surrogacy arrangement and the gestational surrogacy contract; and

(4) the agreement of the intended parent or parents to pay the gestational surrogate a fee for her services in gestating the intended parents' child.

**Sec. 5. [257.91] DUTY TO SUPPORT.**

(a) A person considered to be the parent of the child under section 257.88 is obligated to support the child.

(b) A breach of the gestational surrogacy contract by the intended parent or parents does not relieve the intended parent or parents of the support obligations imposed by sections 257.87 to 257.99.

(c) A gamete donor may be liable for child support only if the donor fails to enter into a legal agreement in which the donor relinquishes rights to any gametes, resulting embryos, or children and the intended parent or parents fail to enter into an agreement in which the intended parent or parents agree to assume all rights and responsibilities for any resulting children.

**Sec. 6. [257.92] ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP.**

(a) For purposes of the Parentage Act, sections 257.51 to 257.74, the parent-child relationship that arises immediately upon the birth of the child pursuant to section 257.89 is established if, prior to or within three business days after the birth of a child born through a gestational surrogacy arrangement, the attorneys representing both the gestational surrogate and the intended parent or parents certify that the parties entered into the gestational surrogacy contract intended to satisfy the requirements of section 257.90 with respect to the child and deliver those certifications to the delivering hospital and the Minnesota Department of Health, Office of Vital Records.

(b) The attorneys' certifications required by paragraph (a) must establish the parties' compliance with all of the requirements of the Parentage Act in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Parentage Act, if any.

(c) The attorney certifications required by paragraph (a) are effective for all purposes if completed prior to or within three business days after the child's birth.

(d) Upon compliance with the certification provision of this section, all hospital and state representatives or employees shall complete all birth records and the original birth certificate of the child to reflect the intended parent or parents, and only the intended parent or parents, as the child's parent or parents on the records and certificate.



Sec. 7. **[257.93] ENTRY OF JUDGMENT OF PARENTAGE.**

(a) A judgment establishing the intended parent's exclusive legal parentage for all purposes, including, but not limited to, interstate recognition and enforcement of the intended parent's legal parentage, must be entered by the court administrator within five business days after issuance of a court order to that effect or after the following conditions are met:

(1) the attorneys representing both parties have complied with all of the certification requirements set forth in section 257.92;

(2) one of the parties has filed with the court a petition to establish parentage under the Parentage Act; and

(3) after the birth of the child or children born through the gestational surrogacy arrangement, the attorneys for both parties file with the court administrator copies of their certifications of compliance as required by section 257.92.

(b) A judgment entered and docketed under this subdivision has the same effect and is subject to the same procedures, defenses, and proceedings as any other judgment in district court.

Sec. 8. **[257.94] EFFECT OF GESTATIONAL SURROGATE'S SUBSEQUENT MARRIAGE.**

Subsequent marriage of the gestational surrogate does not affect the validity of a gestational surrogacy contract, her legal spouse's consent to the contract is not required, and her legal spouse is not a presumed parent of the resulting child.

Sec. 9. **[257.95] IMMUNITIES.**

Except as provided in sections 257.87 to 257.99, no person is civilly or criminally liable for nonnegligent actions taken pursuant to the requirements of sections 257.87 to 257.99. This provision does not prevent liability or actions between or among the parties, including actions brought by or on behalf of the child, based on negligent, reckless, willful, or intentional acts that result in damages to any party.

Sec. 10. **[257.96] NONCOMPLIANCE.**

Noncompliance by the gestational surrogate or the intended parent or parents occurs if that party breaches a provision of the gestational surrogacy contract or fails to comply with any requirement in sections 257.87 to 257.99.

Sec. 11. **[257.97] EFFECT OF NONCOMPLIANCE.**

(a) In the event of noncompliance, as defined in section 257.96, the woman who gives birth to the child is presumed to be the mother of that child for state law, and a court of competent jurisdiction shall determine the respective rights and obligations of the parties to any surrogacy agreement based solely on the other provisions of the Parentage Act, sections 257.51 to 257.74, specifically including, but not limited to, the best interests of the child.

(b) There is no specific performance remedy available for a breach by the gestational surrogate of a gestational surrogacy contract term that requires her to be impregnated.

Sec. 12. [257.98] DAMAGES.

(a) Except as expressly provided in the gestational surrogacy contract, the intended parent or parents are entitled to all remedies available at law or equity.

(b) Except as expressly provided in the gestational surrogacy contract, the gestational surrogate is entitled to all remedies available at law or equity.

Sec. 13. [257.99] IRREVOCABILITY.

No action to invalidate a gestational surrogacy arrangement meeting the requirements of section 257.88, paragraph (d), or to challenge the rights of parentage established under section 257.88 and the Parentage Act, sections 257.51 to 257.74, may be commenced after 12 months from the date of birth of a child.

Sec. 14. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 13 are effective for gestational surrogacy contracts entered into on or after August 1, 2014."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2571:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing technical amendments to criminal vehicular homicide or operation statute; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21, subdivisions 1, 1a, 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 6, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169A.03, subdivision 20, is amended to read:

Subd. 20. **Prior impaired driving conviction.** "Prior impaired driving conviction" includes a prior conviction under:

(1) section 169A.20 (driving while impaired); 169A.31 (alcohol-related school bus or Head Start bus driving); or 360.0752 (impaired aircraft operation);

(2) Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury, substance-related offenses), subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6);

(3) Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.121 (driver under influence of alcohol or controlled substance); 169.1211 (alcohol-related driving by commercial vehicle drivers); or 169.129 (aggravated DWI-related violations; penalty);

(4) Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 84.91, subdivision 1, paragraph (a) (operating snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle while impaired); or 86B.331, subdivision 1, paragraph (a) (operating motorboat while impaired);

(5) Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury, substance-related offenses), subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (6);

subdivision 2a, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2b, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 3, clauses (2) to (6); or subdivision 4, clauses (2) to (6);

(6) section 609.21, subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6), or subdivision 1a, clauses (2) to (6); or section 609.2114, subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6), or subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (6); or

~~(6)~~ (7) an ordinance from this state, or a statute or ordinance from another state, in conformity with any provision listed in clause (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5).

A "prior impaired driving conviction" also includes a prior juvenile adjudication that would have been a prior impaired driving conviction if committed by an adult.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169A.03, subdivision 21, is amended to read:

Subd. 21. **Prior impaired driving-related loss of license.** (a) "Prior impaired driving-related loss of license" includes a driver's license suspension, revocation, cancellation, denial, or disqualification under:

(1) section 169A.31 (alcohol-related school bus or Head Start bus driving); 169A.50 to 169A.53 (implied consent law); 169A.54 (impaired driving convictions and adjudications; administrative penalties); 171.04 (persons not eligible for drivers' licenses); 171.14 (cancellation); 171.16 (court may recommend suspension); 171.165 (commercial driver's license, disqualification); 171.17 (revocation); or 171.18 (suspension); because of an alcohol-related incident;

(2) Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury, substance-related offenses), subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6);

(3) Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.121 (driver under influence of alcohol or controlled substance); 169.1211 (alcohol-related driving by commercial vehicle drivers); or 169.123 (chemical tests for intoxication);

(4) Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury, substance-related offenses), subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2a, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2b, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 3, clauses (2) to (6); or subdivision 4, clauses (2) to (6);

(5) section 609.21, subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6), or subdivision 1a, clauses (2) to (6); or section 609.2114, subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6), or subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (6); or

~~(5)~~ (6) an ordinance from this state, or a statute or ordinance from another state, in conformity with any provision listed in clause (1), (2), (3), or (4).

(b) "Prior impaired driving-related loss of license" also includes the revocation of snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle operating privileges under section 84.911 (chemical testing), or motorboat operating privileges under section 86B.335 (testing for alcohol and controlled substances), for violations that occurred on or after August 1, 1994; the revocation of snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle operating privileges under section 84.91 (operation of snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles by persons under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances); or the revocation of motorboat operating privileges under section 86B.331 (operation while using alcohol or drugs or with a physical or mental disability).

(c) "Prior impaired driving-related loss of license" does not include any license action stemming solely from a violation of section 169A.33 (underage drinking and driving), 171.09 (conditions of a restricted license), or 340A.503 (persons under the age of 21, illegal acts).

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169A.24, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Degree described.** A person who violates section 169A.20 (driving while impaired) is guilty of first-degree driving while impaired if the person:

(1) commits the violation within ten years of the first of three or more qualified prior impaired driving incidents;

(2) has previously been convicted of a felony under this section; or

(3) has previously been convicted of a felony under:

(i) Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury, substance-related offenses), subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6); or

(ii) Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury, substance-related offenses), subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 2a, clauses (2) to (6); subdivision 3, clauses (2) to (6); or subdivision 4, clauses (2) to (6); or

(iii) section 609.21, subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6), or subdivision 1a, clauses (2) to (6); or section 609.2114, subdivision 1, clauses (2) to (6), or subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (6)."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2736:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing judicial districts to establish standards for using GPS to monitor domestic violence offenders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 609.135, subdivision 5a; 629.72, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 629.72, subdivision 2a.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.135, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

Subd. 5a. **Domestic abuse victims; electronic monitoring; pilot project.** (a) Until the commissioner of corrections a judicial district has adopted standards under section 629.72, subdivision 2a, paragraph (b), governing electronic monitoring devices used to protect victims of domestic abuse, the a court within the judicial district, as a condition of a stay of imposition or execution of a sentence, may not order an offender convicted of a crime described in paragraph (b) to use an electronic monitoring device to protect a victim's safety.

(b) This subdivision applies to the following crimes, if committed by the defendant against a family or household member as defined in section 518B.01, subdivision 2:

- (1) violations of orders for protection issued under chapter 518B;
- (2) assault in the first, second, third, or fifth degree under section 609.221, 609.222, 609.223, or 609.224; or domestic assault under section 609.2242;
- (3) criminal damage to property under section 609.595;
- (4) disorderly conduct under section 609.72;
- (5) harassing telephone calls under section 609.79;
- (6) burglary under section 609.582;
- (7) trespass under section 609.605;
- (8) criminal sexual conduct in the first, second, third, fourth, or fifth degree under section 609.342, 609.343, 609.344, 609.345, or 609.3451; and
- (9) terroristic threats under section 609.713;
- (10) stalking under section 609.749;
- (11) violations of harassment restraining orders under section 609.748;
- (12) violations of domestic abuse no contact orders under section 629.75; and
- (13) interference with an emergency call under section 609.78, subdivision 2.

(c) ~~Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the judges in the Tenth Judicial District may order, as a condition of a stay of imposition or execution of a sentence, a defendant convicted of a crime described in paragraph (b), to use an electronic monitoring device to protect the victim's safety. The judges shall make data on the use of electronic monitoring devices to protect a victim's safety in the Tenth Judicial District available to the commissioner of corrections to evaluate and to aid in development of standards for the use of devices to protect victims of domestic abuse. The location data associated with the victim and defendant are security information as defined in section 13.37. Location data maintained by a law enforcement agency, probation authority, prosecutorial agency, or court services department may be shared among those agencies to develop and monitor conditions of a stayed sentence under this section.~~

(d) This subdivision applies only to the Second and Fifth Judicial Districts.

**EFFECTIVE DATE; SUNSET.** (a) This section is effective the day following final enactment.

(b) The amendments to this section expire on June 30, 2015.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 629.72, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Electronic monitoring; condition of pretrial release; pilot project.** (a) Until the commissioner of corrections a judicial district has adopted standards under paragraph (b) governing electronic monitoring devices used to protect victims of domestic abuse, the a court within the judicial district, as a condition of release, may not order a person arrested for a crime described in section 609.135, subdivision 5a, paragraph (b), to use an electronic monitoring device to protect a victim's safety.

~~(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), district courts in the Tenth Judicial District may order, as a condition of a release, a person arrested on a charge of a crime described in section 609.135, subdivision 5a, paragraph (b), to use an electronic monitoring device to protect the victim's safety. The courts shall make data on the use of electronic monitoring devices to protect a victim's safety in the Tenth Judicial District available to the commissioner of corrections to evaluate and to aid in development of standards for the use of devices to protect victims of domestic abuse. The chief judge of a judicial district may appoint and convene an advisory group to develop and biennially update standards for the use of electronic monitoring and global positioning system devices to protect victims of domestic abuse. The advisory group must be comprised of representatives from law enforcement, prosecutors, defense attorneys, corrections, court administrators, probation, judges, and crime victim organizations, and include an industry representative with expertise in global positioning system devices. At a minimum, the standards must:~~

- ~~(1) require a judge to order only the use of active, real-time monitoring;~~
  - ~~(2) require that the victim and defendant be provided with information on the risks and benefits of using active, real-time monitoring and a notice outlining the district's standards;~~
  - ~~(3) require informed, voluntary consent by the victim before the defendant may be released on electronic monitoring, and provide for time-sensitive procedures if a victim withdraws consent;~~
  - ~~(4) address financial costs to the defendants and victims;~~
  - ~~(5) promote policies and procedures that eliminate disproportionate impact adverse to underrepresented groups and populations; and~~
  - ~~(6) provide for ongoing training and consultation with the advisory group members to continually improve victim safety and defendant accountability.~~
- ~~(c) The location data associated with the victim and defendant are security information as defined in section 13.37. Location data maintained by a law enforcement agency, probation authority, prosecutorial agency, or court services department may be shared among those agencies to develop and monitor conditions of release under this section.~~

~~(d) This subdivision applies only to the Second and Fifth Judicial Districts.~~

~~**EFFECTIVE DATE; SUNSET.** (a) This section is effective retroactively from January 15, 2014.~~

~~(b) The amendments to this section expire on June 30, 2015.~~

~~Sec. 3. **REPORT REQUIRED.**~~

~~By January 15, 2015, the district court administrator of a judicial district participating in a pilot project authorized by this act shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees having jurisdiction over criminal justice policy on the district's pilot project."~~

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing the Second and Fifth Judicial Districts to establish pilot projects to use GPS to monitor domestic abuse offenders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 609.135, subdivision 5a; 629.72, subdivision 2a."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2047:** A bill for an act relating to health; modifying the newborn screening program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 144.125, subdivision 7; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 6.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Information provided to parents and legal guardians.** (a) The department shall make information and forms available to childbirth education programs and health care providers who provide prenatal care describing the newborn screening program and the provisions of this section to be used in a discussion with expectant parents and parents of newborns. The department shall promote the materials describing the newborn screening program and encourage providers and education programs to thoroughly discuss the program with expectant parents and parents with newborns. The department shall make information and forms about newborn screening available to the persons with a duty to perform testing under this section and to expectant parents and parents of newborns using electronic and other means.

(b) Prior to collecting a sample, persons with a duty to perform testing under subdivision 1 must:

(1) provide parents or legal guardians of infants with a document that provides the following information:

(i) the benefits of newborn screening;

(ii) that the blood sample will be used to test for heritable and congenital disorders, as determined under subdivision 2;

(iii) the data that will be collected as part of the testing;

~~(iv) the standard retention periods for blood samples and test results as provided in subdivision 6~~ the benefits associated with the department's storage of an infant's blood sample and test results;

(v) that the Department of Health may store the blood samples and test results unless the parents or legal guardians elect to not have them stored;

~~(v) (vi) that blood samples and test results will be used for program operations during the standard retention period in accordance with subdivision 5, unless the parents or legal guardians elect not to have the blood samples and test results stored, in which case the blood samples and test results will be destroyed in accordance with subdivision 8, paragraph (b), and until destroyed, will only be used for program operations described under subdivision 5, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (7);~~

~~(vi) the Department of Health's Web site address where more information and forms may be obtained; and~~

(vii) that parents or legal guardians have a right to elect not to have newborn screening performed and a right to secure private testing;

(viii) that parents or legal guardians have a right to elect to have the newborn screening performed, but not have the blood samples and test results stored;

(ix) that parents or legal guardians may authorize in writing that the blood samples and test results may be used for public health studies or research; and

(x) the Department of Health's Web site address where more information and forms may be obtained; and

(2) upon request, promptly provide parents or legal guardians of infants with forms necessary to request that the infant not have blood collected for testing or to request to have the newborn screening performed, but not have the blood samples and test results stored; and

(3) record in the infant's medical record that a parent or legal guardian of the infant has received the information provided pursuant to this subdivision and has had an opportunity to ask questions.

(c) Nothing in this section prohibits a parent or legal guardian of an infant from having newborn screening performed by a private entity.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Parental options.** (a) The parent or legal guardian of an infant otherwise subject to testing under this section may elect not to have newborn screening performed, or may elect to have newborn screening tests performed, but not to have the blood samples and test results stored.

(b) If a parent or legal guardian elects not to have newborn screening performed or elects not to allow the blood samples and test results to be stored, then the election shall must be recorded on a form that is signed by the parent or legal guardian. The signed form shall must be made part of the infant's medical record and a copy shall be provided to the Department of Health. When a parent or legal guardian elects not to have newborn screening performed, the person with the duty to perform testing under subdivision 1 must follow that election. A written election to decline testing exempts persons with a duty to perform testing and the Department of Health from the requirements of this section and section 144.128.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Newborn screening program operations.** (a) "Newborn screening program operations" means actions, testing, and procedures directly related to the operation of the newborn screening program, limited to the following:

- (1) confirmatory testing;
- (2) laboratory quality control assurance and improvement;
- (3) calibration of equipment;
- (4) evaluating and improving the accuracy of newborn screening tests for conditions approved for screening in Minnesota;
- (5) validation of equipment and screening methods; ~~and~~



(6) continuity of operations to ensure testing can continue as required by Minnesota law in the event of an emergency;

(7) follow-up services for the cases of heritable and congenital disorders identified by newborn screening; and

(8) utilization of blood samples and test results for studies related to newborn screening, including studies used to develop new tests.

(b) No research; or public health studies; or development of new newborn screening tests shall be conducted under this subdivision other than those described in paragraph (a) shall be conducted without written consent as described under subdivision 7.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 144.125, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Parental options for extended storage and use additional research.** (a) The parent or legal guardian of an infant otherwise subject to testing under this section, or an individual who was tested as an infant if the individual is 18 years of age or older may authorize in writing that the infant's blood sample and test results be retained and used by the Department of Health beyond the standard retention periods provided in subdivision 6 for the purposes described in subdivision 9.

(b) The Department of Health must provide a consent form, with an attached Tennessee warning pursuant to section 13.04, subdivision 2. The consent form must provide the following:

(1) information as to the personal identification and use of samples and test results for studies, including studies used to develop new tests;

(2) (1) information as to the personal identification and use of samples and test results for public health studies or research not related to newborn screening;

(3) information that explains that the Department of Health will not store a blood sample or test result for longer than 18 years from an infant's birth date;

(4) (2) information that explains that, upon approval by the Department of Health's Institutional Review Board, blood samples and test results may be shared with external parties for public health studies or research; and

(5) (3) information that explains that blood samples contain various components, including deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA); and

(6) the benefits and risks associated with the department's storage of a child's blood sample and test results.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Extended Storage and use of samples and test results.** When authorized in writing by a parent or legal guardian under subdivision 7, (a) Except as limited under paragraph (b), the Department of Health may store blood samples and test results for a time period not to exceed 18 years from the infant's birth date, and may use the blood samples and test results in accordance with subdivision 9 5. If written informed consent of a parent, legal guardian, or individual is obtained under subdivision 7, the Department of Health may use the blood samples and test results in accordance with subdivision 9.

(b) If a parent, legal guardian, or individual elects against storage, or revokes prior consent for storage, the blood samples must be destroyed within 30 days after receipt of the request, and test results must be destroyed within 30 days after receipt of the request, or the earliest time allowed under Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) regulations, whichever is later. Until destroyed, the blood samples and test results may be used for program operations described under subdivision 5, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (7).

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Written, informed consent for other use of samples and test results.** With the written, informed consent of a parent or legal guardian, the Department of Health may:

(1) use blood samples and test results for studies related to newborn screening, including studies used to develop new tests; and

(2) use blood samples and test results for public health studies or research not related to newborn screening, and upon approval by the Department of Health's Institutional Review Board, share samples and test results with external parties for public health studies or research.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Revoking consent for storage and use.** A parent or legal guardian, or the individual whose blood was tested as an infant if the individual is 18 years of age or older, may revoke approval for extended storage or use of blood samples or test results at any time by providing a signed and dated form requesting destruction of the blood samples or test results. The Department of Health shall make necessary forms available on the department's Web site. Blood samples must be destroyed within one week of receipt of a request or within one week of the standard retention period for blood samples provided in subdivision 6, whichever is later. test results must be destroyed within one month of receipt of a request or within one month of the standard retention period for test results provided in subdivision 6, whichever is later. Blood samples and test results must be destroyed as specified under subdivision 8, paragraph (b).

Sec. 9. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.125, subdivision 6, is repealed.

Sec. 10. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 8 are effective August 1, 2014, and apply to blood samples drawn on or after that date."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 771:** A bill for an act relating to housing; landlord and tenant; creating additional remedies for victims of violence; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 484.014, by adding a subdivision; 504B.001, by adding subdivisions; 504B.165; 504B.178, subdivision 7; 504B.206, subdivisions 1, 3, by adding a subdivision; 504B.241, by adding a subdivision; 504B.285, subdivision 1; 504B.291, subdivision 1; 504B.321, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 504B.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 504B.171, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Terms of covenant.** (a) In every lease or license of residential premises, whether in writing or parol, the landlord or licensor and the tenant or licensee covenant that:

(1) neither will:

(i) unlawfully allow controlled substances in those premises or in the common area and curtilage of the premises;

(ii) allow prostitution or prostitution-related activity as defined in section 617.80, subdivision 4, to occur on the premises or in the common area and curtilage of the premises;

(iii) allow the unlawful use or possession of a firearm in violation of section 609.66, subdivision 1a, 609.67, or 624.713, on the premises or in the common area and curtilage of the premises; or

(iv) allow stolen property or property obtained by robbery in those premises or in the common area and curtilage of the premises; and

(2) the common area and curtilage of the premises will not be used by either the landlord or licensor or the tenant or licensee or others acting under the control of either to manufacture, sell, give away, barter, deliver, exchange, distribute, purchase, or possess a controlled substance in violation of any criminal provision of chapter 152. The covenant is not violated when a person other than the landlord or licensor or the tenant or licensee possesses or allows controlled substances in the premises, common area, or curtilage, unless the landlord or licensor or the tenant or licensee knew or had reason to know of that activity.

(b) In every lease or license of residential premises, whether in writing or parol, the tenant or licensee covenant that the tenant or licensee will not commit an act enumerated under section 504B.206, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), against a tenant or licensee or an authorized occupant.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 504B.206, is amended to read:

**504B.206 RIGHT OF VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE VIOLENCE TO TERMINATE LEASE.**

Subdivision 1. **Right to terminate; procedure.** (a) ~~A tenant to a residential lease who is a victim of domestic abuse and fears imminent domestic abuse against the tenant or the tenant's minor children if the tenant or the tenant's minor children remain in the leased premises may terminate a lease agreement without penalty or liability as provided in this section. The tenant must provide advance written notice to the landlord stating that:~~

~~(1) the tenant fears imminent domestic abuse from a person named in an order for protection or no contact order;~~

~~(2) the tenant needs to terminate the tenancy; and~~

~~(3) the specific date the tenancy will terminate. A tenant to a residential lease may terminate a lease agreement in the manner provided in this section without penalty or liability, if the tenant or another authorized occupant fears imminent violence after being subjected to:~~

- (1) domestic abuse, as defined in section 518B.01, subdivision 2;
- (2) criminal sexual conduct under sections 609.342 to 609.3451; or
- (3) stalking under section 609.749, subdivision 1.

(b) The tenant must provide signed and dated advance written notice to the landlord:

- (1) stating the tenant fears imminent violence against the tenant or an authorized occupant if the tenant or authorized occupant remains in the leased premises, as indicated in a qualifying document;
- (2) stating that the tenant needs to terminate the tenancy;
- (3) providing the date by which the tenant will vacate; and
- (4) providing written instructions for the disposition of any remaining personal property in accordance with section 504B.271.

~~(b)~~ (c) The written notice must be delivered before the termination of the tenancy by mail, fax, or in person, and be accompanied by the order for protection or no contact order a qualifying document.

~~(c) For purposes of this section, an order for protection means an order issued under chapter 518B. A no contact order means a no contact order currently in effect, issued under section 629.75 or chapter 609.~~

(d) The landlord may request that the tenant disclose the name of the perpetrator and, if a request is made, inform the tenant that the landlord seeks disclosure to determine whether the perpetrator is an existing or former tenant or an employee or contractor of the landlord and to protect other tenants in the building. The tenant may decline to provide the name of the perpetrator for safety reasons. Disclosure must not be a precondition of terminating the lease.

(e) The tenancy terminates, including the right of possession of the premises, as provided in subdivision 3.

Subd. 2. **Treatment of information.** (a) A landlord must not disclose:

- (1) information provided to the landlord by a tenant documenting domestic abuse in the written notice required under subdivision 1, paragraph (b);
- (2) information contained in the qualifying document;
- (3) the address or location to which the tenant has relocated; or
- (4) the status of the tenant as a victim of violence.

(b) The information described in paragraph (a) must not be entered into any shared database or provided to any person or entity but may be used when required as evidence in an eviction proceeding, action for unpaid rent or damages arising out of the tenancy, claims under section 504B.178, with the consent of the tenant, or as otherwise required by law.

Subd. 3. **Liability for rent; termination of tenancy.** (a) A tenant who is a sole tenant and is terminating a lease under subdivision 1 is responsible for the rent payment for the full month in which the tenancy terminates and an additional amount equal to one month's rent. The tenant forfeits all claims for the return of the security deposit under section 504B.178, and is relieved of any other contractual obligation for payment of rent or any other charges for the remaining term of the lease,

except as provided in this section. In a sole tenancy, the tenancy terminates on the date specified in the notice provided to the landlord under subdivision 1.

(b) In a tenancy with multiple tenants, a lease governing all tenants is terminated at the latter of the end of the month or the end of the rent interval in which one tenant terminates the lease under subdivision 1. Upon termination, all tenants forfeit all claims for the return of the security deposit under section 504B.178 and are relieved of any other contractual obligation for payment of rent or any other charges for the remaining term of the lease, except as provided in this section. The landlord and remaining tenants maintain all rights and remedies available under law and the terms of the lease until termination of the lease. A tenant whose tenancy was terminated under this paragraph may reapply to enter into a new lease with the landlord.

(c) This section does not affect a tenant's liability for delinquent, unpaid rent or other amounts owed to the landlord before the lease was terminated by the tenant under this section.

(e) The tenancy terminates, including the right of possession of the premises, on the termination date stated in the notice under subdivision 1. The amount equal to one month's rent must be paid on or before the termination of the tenancy for the tenant to be relieved of the contractual obligations for the remaining term of the lease as provided in this section.

(d) For purposes of this section, the provisions of section 504B.178 are triggered as follows:

(1) if the only tenant is the tenant who is the victim of domestic abuse and the tenant's minor children, if any, upon the first day of the month following the later of:

(i) the date the tenant vacates the premises; or

(ii) the termination of the tenancy indicated in the written notice under subdivision 1; or

(2) if there are additional tenants bound by the lease, upon the expiration of the lease.

Subd. 4. **Multiple tenants.** Notwithstanding the release of a tenant from a lease agreement under this section, if there are any remaining tenants the tenancy continues for those remaining tenants:

Subd. 5. **Waiver prohibited.** A residential tenant may not waive, and a landlord may not require the residential tenant to waive, the tenant's rights under this section.

Subd. 6. **Definition Definitions.** For purposes of this section, "domestic abuse" has the meaning given in section 518B.01, subdivision 2: (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

(b) "Court official" means a judge, referee, court administrator, prosecutor, probation officer, or victim's advocate, whether employed by or under contract with the court, who is authorized to act on behalf of the court.

(c) "Qualified third party" means a person, acting in an official capacity, who has had in-person contact with the tenant and is:

(1) a licensed health care professional operating within the scope of the license;

(2) a domestic abuse advocate, as defined in section 595.02, subdivision 1, paragraph (l); or

(3) a sexual assault counselor, as defined in section 595.02, subdivision 1, paragraph (k).

(d) "Qualifying document" means:

(1) a valid order for protection issued under chapter 518B;

(2) a no contact order currently in effect, issued under section 629.75 or chapter 609;

(3) a writing produced and signed by a court official or by a city, county, state, or tribal law enforcement officer acting in an official capacity, documenting that the tenant or authorized occupant is a victim of domestic abuse, as defined in section 518B.01, subdivision 2, criminal sexual conduct under sections 609.342 to 609.3451, or stalking under section 609.749, subdivision 1, and naming the perpetrator, if known; or

(4) a statement by a qualified third party, in the following form:

STATEMENT BY QUALIFIED THIRD PARTY

I, ..... (name of qualified third party), verify as follows:

1. I am a licensed health care professional, domestic abuse advocate, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 595.02, subdivision 1, paragraph (l), or sexual assault counselor, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 595.02, subdivision 1, paragraph (k).

2. I have a reasonable basis to believe ..... (name of victim(s)) is a victim/are victims of domestic abuse, criminal sexual conduct, or stalking and fear(s) imminent violence against the individual or authorized occupant if the individual remains ( individuals remain) in the leased premises.

3. I understand that the person(s) listed above may use this document as a basis for gaining a release from the lease.

Upon information and belief, the foregoing is true and correct.

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Printed Name of qualified third party

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Signature of qualified third party

.....

Business Address and Business Telephone

.....

Date

Subd. 7. **Conflicts with other laws.** If a federal statute, regulation, or handbook permitting termination of a residential tenancy subsidized under a federal program conflicts with any provision of this section, the landlord must comply with the federal statute, regulation, or handbook.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 504B.285, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Grounds.** (a) The person entitled to the premises may recover possession by eviction when:

(1) any person holds over real property:

(i) after a sale of the property on an execution or judgment; or  
(ii) after the expiration of the time for redemption on foreclosure of a mortgage, or after termination of contract to convey the property;

(2) any person holds over real property after termination of the time for which it is demised or leased to that person or to the persons under whom that person holds possession, contrary to the conditions or covenants of the lease or agreement under which that person holds, or after any rent becomes due according to the terms of such lease or agreement; or

(3) any tenant at will holds over after the termination of the tenancy by notice to quit.

(b) A landlord may not commence an eviction action against a tenant or authorized occupant solely on the basis that the tenant or lawful occupant has been the victim of any of the acts listed in section 504B.206, subdivision 1, paragraph (a). This paragraph does not prohibit an eviction action based on a breach of the lease."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to housing; providing for termination of a lease by a victim of violence; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 504B.171, subdivision 1; 504B.206; 504B.285, subdivision 1."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2262:** A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a plan for achieving continuous quality improvement in the care provided under the statewide system for ST elevation myocardial infarction response and treatment; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. **[144.497] ST ELEVATION MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION.**

The commissioner of health shall assess and report on the quality of care provided in the state for ST elevation myocardial infarction response and treatment. The commissioner shall:

(1) utilize and analyze data provided by ST elevation myocardial infarction receiving centers to the ACTION Registry-Get with the guidelines or an equivalent data platform that does not identify individuals or associate specific ST elevation myocardial infarction heart attack events with an identifiable individual;

(2) quarterly post a summary report of the data in aggregate form on the Department of Health Web site;

(3) annually inform the legislative committees with jurisdiction over public health of progress toward improving the quality of care and patient outcomes for ST elevation myocardial infarctions; and

(4) coordinate to the extent possible with national voluntary health organizations involved in ST elevation myocardial infarction heart attack quality improvement to encourage ST elevation myocardial infarction receiving centers to report data consistent with nationally recognized

guidelines on the treatment of individuals with confirmed ST elevation myocardial infarction heart attacks within the state and encourage sharing of information among health care providers on ways to improve the quality of care of ST elevation myocardial infarction patients in Minnesota."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to health; requiring the commissioner of health to assess and report on quality of care for ST elevation myocardial infarction response and treatment; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1799:** A bill for an act relating to health; changing licensing provisions for licensed professional clinical counselors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148B.5301, subdivisions 2, 4.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete line 24

Page 2, line 25, delete "(3)" and insert "(2)"

Page 2, line 26, delete "(4)" and insert "(3)"

Page 2, line 28, delete "(5)" and insert "(4)"

Page 2, line 32, delete "(6)" and insert "(5)"

Page 3, line 7, delete "(7)" and insert "(6)"

Page 3, line 11, delete "(8)" and insert "(7)"

Page 3, line 19, delete "(9)" and insert "(8)"

Page 3, lines 22 and 24, delete "(5)" and insert "(4)"

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2193:** A bill for an act relating to environment; classifying certain data; modifying certain reporting requirements; modifying and creating certain permitting efficiencies; modifying duties of Pollution Control Agency; modifying administrative penalty order and field citation provisions; providing civil penalties; requiring rulemaking; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 13.741, by adding a subdivision; 84.027, subdivision 14a, by adding a subdivision; 115.03, subdivisions 1, 10; 115.551; 116.03, subdivision 2b; 116.07, subdivision 4d; 116.072, subdivision 2; 116.073, subdivisions 1, 2; 116J.035, subdivision 8.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 12, line 30, delete everything after the period and insert "The commissioner shall adjust the maximum penalty amount under this paragraph according to inflation, using the Consumer Price Index, to be effective no earlier than July 1, 2019, and July 1 every fifth year thereafter. Any adjustment must be posted in the State Register for 30 days prior to it becoming effective."



Page 12, lines 31 and 32, delete the new language

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2240:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying provisions relating to children and family services; changing requirements for the Northstar Care for Children program, background studies, and adoption; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 245C.05, subdivision 5; 245C.33, subdivisions 1, 4; 256I.04, subdivision 2a; 257.85, subdivision 11; 260C.212, subdivision 1; 260C.515, subdivision 4; 260C.611; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245C.08, subdivision 1; 256B.055, subdivision 1; 256D.44, subdivision 5; 256N.02, by adding a subdivision; 256N.21, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 256N.22, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 6; 256N.23, subdivisions 1, 4; 256N.24, subdivisions 9, 10; 256N.25, subdivisions 2, 3; 256N.26, subdivision 1; 256N.27, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 256N.26, subdivision 7.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2260:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing for the registration of automatic external defibrillators; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 403.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 3, line 9, delete "No" and delete "created"

Page 3, line 10, delete "or criminal" and before the period, insert "or preclude civil liability under other law. Section 645.241 does not apply to this section."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Sheran from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2754:** A bill for an act relating to the operation of state government; making changes to provisions relating to the Department of Health, Northstar Care for Children program, continuing care, community first services and supports, health care, and chemical dependency; modifying the hospital payment system; modifying provisions governing background studies and home and community-based services standards; setting fees; providing rate increases; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 13.46, subdivision 4; 245C.03, by adding a subdivision; 245C.04, by adding a subdivision; 245C.05, subdivision 5; 245C.10, by adding a subdivision; 245C.33, subdivisions 1, 4; 252.451, subdivision 2; 254B.12; 256.01, by adding a subdivision; 256.9685, subdivisions 1, 1a; 256.9686, subdivision 2; 256.969, subdivisions 1, 2, 2b, 2c, 3a, 3b, 6a, 9, 10, 14, 17, 30, by adding subdivisions; 256B.0625, subdivision 30; 256B.199; 256B.5012, by adding a subdivision; 256I.05, subdivision 2; 257.85, subdivision 11; 260C.212, subdivision 1; 260C.515, subdivision 4; 260C.611; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245.8251; 245A.042, subdivision 3; 245C.08, subdivision 1; 245D.02, subdivisions 3, 4b, 8b, 11, 15b, 29, 34, 34a, by adding a subdivision; 245D.03, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 245D.04, subdivision 3;

245D.05, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1b, 2, 4, 5; 245D.051; 245D.06, subdivisions 2, 4, 6, 7, 8; 245D.071, subdivisions 3, 4, 5; 245D.081, subdivision 2; 245D.09, subdivisions 3, 4a; 245D.091, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 245D.10, subdivision 3; 245D.11, subdivision 2; 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.055, subdivision 1; 256B.439, subdivisions 1, 7; 256B.4912, subdivision 1; 256B.85, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, by adding subdivisions; 256N.02, by adding a subdivision; 256N.21, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 256N.22, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 6; 256N.23, subdivisions 1, 4; 256N.24, subdivisions 9, 10; 256N.25, subdivisions 2, 3; 256N.26, subdivision 1; 256N.27, subdivision 4; Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 7, section 49; article 14, section 2, subdivision 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 245.825, subdivisions 1, 1b; 256.969, subdivisions 8b, 9a, 9b, 11, 13, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28; 256.9695, subdivisions 3, 4; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245D.02, subdivisions 2b, 2c, 3b, 5a, 8a, 15a, 15b, 23b, 28, 29, 34a; 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, 8; 245D.061, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; 256N.26, subdivision 7; Minnesota Rules, parts 9525.2700; 9525.2810.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 32, lines 31 to 33, reinstate the stricken language

Page 48, line 8, strike "under the"

Page 48, line 9, strike "agency-provider model"

Page 48, line 10, before "approved" insert "as"

Page 50, line 23, delete the new language and insert "employer"

Page 55, line 20, after "and" insert "enrolled as a Minnesota health care program provider as"

Page 55, line 24, delete "that may be"

Page 57, line 20, delete "a multiplier established by the commissioner" and insert "an adjustment needed"

Page 58, line 17, after "equipment" insert "listed as a covered benefit under medical assistance"

Page 58, line 27, strike "physical" and insert "health" and strike "physical" and insert "health"

Page 58, line 29, strike everything before the semicolon and insert "Minnesota health care program enrolled physician"

Page 60, line 19, delete everything after "and"

Page 60, line 20, delete "services" and insert "FMS"

Page 71, line 22, delete "years" and insert "years of"

Page 72, delete section 20

Page 74, line 19, delete everything before the semicolon and insert "staff who will have direct contact with the participant to provide worker training and development"

Page 79, line 7, delete "aversive and deprivation procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions"

Page 79, line 10, delete "aversive and deprivation"

Page 79, line 11, delete "procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions" and before "and" insert a comma

Page 79, line 33, delete "the rules after adoption of the rules" and insert "implementation of the rules and make recommendations to the commissioner about any needed policy changes after adoption of the rules"

Page 80, line 9, delete "aversive or deprivation procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions"

Page 80, line 11, delete everything after "Disabilities"

Page 80, line 12, delete "Disabilities"

Page 80, line 17, after "Health;" insert "and"

Page 80, delete lines 18 and 19

Page 80, line 20, delete "(6)" and insert "(5)"

Page 81, line 35, after "written" insert "or electronic"

Page 82, after line 6, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245A.16, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Delegation of authority to agencies.** (a) County agencies and private agencies that have been designated or licensed by the commissioner to perform licensing functions and activities under section 245A.04 and background studies for family child care under chapter 245C; to recommend denial of applicants under section 245A.05; to issue correction orders, to issue variances, and recommend a conditional license under section 245A.06, or to recommend suspending or revoking a license or issuing a fine under section 245A.07, shall comply with rules and directives of the commissioner governing those functions and with this section. The following variances are excluded from the delegation of variance authority and may be issued only by the commissioner:

(1) dual licensure of family child care and child foster care, dual licensure of child and adult foster care, and adult foster care and family child care;

(2) adult foster care maximum capacity;

(3) adult foster care minimum age requirement;

(4) child foster care maximum age requirement;

(5) variances regarding disqualified individuals except that county agencies may issue variances under section 245C.30 regarding disqualified individuals when the county is responsible for conducting a consolidated reconsideration according to sections 245C.25 and 245C.27, subdivision 2, clauses (a) and (b), of a county maltreatment determination and a disqualification based on serious or recurring maltreatment;

(6) the required presence of a caregiver in the adult foster care residence during normal sleeping hours; and

(7) variances for community residential setting licenses under chapter 245D.

Except as provided in section 245A.14, subdivision 4, paragraph (e), a county agency must not grant a license holder a variance to exceed the maximum allowable family child care license capacity of 14 children.

(b) County agencies must report information about disqualification reconsiderations under sections 245C.25 and 245C.27, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a) and (b), and variances granted under paragraph (a), clause (5), to the commissioner at least monthly in a format prescribed by the commissioner.

(c) For family day care programs, the commissioner may authorize licensing reviews every two years after a licensee has had at least one annual review.

(d) For family adult day services programs, the commissioner may authorize licensing reviews every two years after a licensee has had at least one annual review.

(e) A license issued under this section may be issued for up to two years.

(f) During implementation of chapter 245D, the commissioner shall consider:

(1) the role of counties in quality assurance;

(2) the duties of county licensing staff; and

(3) the possible use of joint powers agreements, according to section 471.59, with counties through which some licensing duties under chapter 245D may be delegated by the commissioner to the counties.

Any consideration related to this paragraph must meet all of the requirements of the corrective action plan ordered by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(g) Licensing authority specific to section 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, and 8, or successor provisions; and section 245D.061 or successor provisions, for family child foster care programs providing out-of-home respite, as identified in section 245D.03, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), clause (1), is excluded from the delegation of authority to county and private agencies."

Page 83, line 25, before the semicolon, insert "or successor provisions"

Page 85, line 25, before the semicolon, insert ", excluding out-of-home respite care provided to children in a family child foster care home licensed under Minnesota Rules, parts 2960.3000 to 2960.3100, when the child foster care license holder complies with the requirements under section 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, and 8, or successor provisions; and section 245D.061 or successor provisions, which must be stipulated in the statement of intended use required under Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3000, subpart 4"

Page 88, line 17, after "subdivision 6" insert ", or successor provisions"

Page 88, line 28, delete "or any aversive, deprivation" and insert "restrictive intervention"

Page 88, line 29, after "subdivision 5," insert "or successor provisions"

Page 88, line 31, after "245D.061" insert "or successor provisions"

Page 88, line 33, after "subdivision 8" insert ", or successor provisions"

Page 96, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245D.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Incident response and reporting.** (a) The license holder must respond to incidents under section 245D.02, subdivision 11, that occur while providing services to protect the health and safety of and minimize risk of harm to the person.

(b) The license holder must maintain information about and report incidents to the person's legal representative or designated emergency contact and case manager within 24 hours of an incident occurring while services are being provided, within 24 hours of discovery or receipt of information that an incident occurred, unless the license holder has reason to know that the incident has already been reported, or as otherwise directed in a person's coordinated service and support plan or coordinated service and support plan addendum. An incident of suspected or alleged maltreatment must be reported as required under paragraph (d), and an incident of serious injury or death must be reported as required under paragraph (e).

(c) When the incident involves more than one person, the license holder must not disclose personally identifiable information about any other person when making the report to each person and case manager unless the license holder has the consent of the person.

(d) Within 24 hours of reporting maltreatment as required under section 626.556 or 626.557, the license holder must inform the case manager of the report unless there is reason to believe that the case manager is involved in the suspected maltreatment. The license holder must disclose the nature of the activity or occurrence reported and the agency that received the report.

(e) The license holder must report the death or serious injury of the person as required in paragraph (b) and to the Department of Human Services Licensing Division, and the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities as required under section 245.94, subdivision 2a, within 24 hours of the death, or receipt of information that the death occurred, unless the license holder has reason to know that the death has already been reported.

(f) When a death or serious injury occurs in a facility certified as an intermediate care facility for persons with developmental disabilities, the death or serious injury must be reported to the Department of Health, Office of Health Facility Complaints, and the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, as required under sections 245.91 and 245.94, subdivision 2a, unless the license holder has reason to know that the death has already been reported.

(g) The license holder must conduct an internal review of incident reports of deaths and serious injuries that occurred while services were being provided and that were not reported by the program as alleged or suspected maltreatment, for identification of incident patterns, and implementation of corrective action as necessary to reduce occurrences. The review must include an evaluation of whether related policies and procedures were followed, whether the policies and procedures were adequate, whether there is a need for additional staff training, whether the reported event is similar to past events with the persons or the services involved, and whether there is a need for corrective action by the license holder to protect the health and safety of persons receiving services. Based on the results of this review, the license holder must develop, document, and implement a corrective action plan designed to correct current lapses and prevent future lapses in performance by staff or the license holder, if any.

(h) The license holder must verbally report the emergency use of manual restraint of a person as required in paragraph (b) within 24 hours of the occurrence. The license holder must ensure the written report and internal review of all incident reports of the emergency use of manual restraints are completed according to the requirements in section 245D.061 or successor provisions."

Page 97, line 10, after "property" insert "; legal representative restrictions"

Page 100, line 22, strike "aversive or deprivation procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions"

Page 108, line 23, after "subdivision 5," insert "or successor provisions"

Page 108, line 25, before the period, insert "or successor provisions"

Page 112, after line 18, insert:

"Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245D.10, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Availability of current written policies and procedures.** (a) The license holder must review and update, as needed, the written policies and procedures required under this chapter.

(b) (1) The license holder must inform the person and case manager of the policies and procedures affecting a person's rights under section 245D.04, and provide copies of those policies and procedures, within five working days of service initiation.

(2) If a license holder only provides basic services and supports, this includes the:

- (i) grievance policy and procedure required under subdivision 2; and
- (ii) service suspension and termination policy and procedure required under subdivision 3.

(3) For all other license holders this includes the:

- (i) policies and procedures in clause (2);
- (ii) emergency use of manual restraints policy and procedure required under section 245D.061, subdivision 10, or successor provisions; and

(iii) data privacy requirements under section 245D.11, subdivision 3.

(c) The license holder must provide a written notice to all persons or their legal representatives and case managers at least 30 days before implementing any procedural revisions to policies affecting a person's service-related or protection-related rights under section 245D.04 and maltreatment reporting policies and procedures. The notice must explain the revision that was made and include a copy of the revised policy and procedure. The license holder must document the reasonable cause for not providing the notice at least 30 days before implementing the revisions.

(d) Before implementing revisions to required policies and procedures, the license holder must inform all employees of the revisions and provide training on implementation of the revised policies and procedures.

(e) The license holder must annually notify all persons, or their legal representatives, and case managers of any procedural revisions to policies required under this chapter, other than those in

paragraph (c). Upon request, the license holder must provide the person, or the person's legal representative, and case manager with copies of the revised policies and procedures."

Page 131, line 25, after "repealed" insert "upon the effective date of rules adopted according to Minnesota Statutes, section 245.8251, or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when this occurs"

Page 131, line 27, after "245.8251" insert ", or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date"

Page 131, line 30, delete everything before "23b" and insert "5a, and" and delete ", 28, 29, and 34a"

Page 131, line 32, after "245.8251" insert ", or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date"

Page 131, line 35, after "245.8251" insert ", or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Sheran from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2775:** A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money for a health impact assessment; requiring a report.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 4, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 62U.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Development.** (a) The commissioner of health shall develop a standardized set of measures by which to assess the quality of health care services offered by health care providers, including health care providers certified as health care homes under section 256B.0751. Quality measures must be based on medical evidence and be developed through a process in which providers participate. The measures shall be used for the quality incentive payment system developed in subdivision 2 and must:

(1) include uniform definitions, measures, and forms for submission of data, to the greatest extent possible;

(2) seek to avoid increasing the administrative burden on health care providers;

(3) be initially based on existing quality indicators for physician and hospital services, which are measured and reported publicly by quality measurement organizations, including, but not limited to, Minnesota Community Measurement and specialty societies;

(4) place a priority on measures of health care outcomes, rather than process measures, wherever possible; ~~and~~

(5) incorporate measures for primary care, including preventive services, coronary artery and heart disease, diabetes, asthma, depression, and other measures as determined by the commissioner; and

(6) stratify quality reports by disability, race, ethnicity, language, and other relevant sociodemographic factors that contribute to health disparities and affect provider performance.

(b) The measures shall be reviewed at least annually by the commissioner.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 62U.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Quality transparency.** (a) The commissioner shall establish standards for measuring health outcomes, establish a system for risk adjusting quality measures, and issue annual public reports on provider quality beginning July 1, 2010.

(b) Within the limits of available state appropriations and other available funding, the commissioner shall:

(1) publish reports under paragraph (a) beginning January 1, 2017, that are stratified by disability, race, ethnicity, language, and other sociodemographic factors that impact performance in order to advance work aimed at eliminating health disparities; and

(2) annually assess the risk adjustment methodology established under paragraph (a) to continuously improve the methodology and assess the potential for harm and unintended consequences for disadvantaged patient populations and the providers who serve them by taking into consideration, as appropriate, factors identified under clause (1).

(c) The commissioner shall undertake activities under paragraph (b) in consultation with consumer, community, and advocacy organizations representing diverse communities; health plan companies; providers; quality measurement organizations; and safety net providers who primarily serve these communities and patient populations with health disparities.

(d) By January 1, 2010, physician clinics and hospitals shall submit standardized electronic information on the outcomes and processes associated with patient care to the commissioner or the commissioner's designee. In addition to measures of care processes and outcomes, the report may include other measures designated by the commissioner, including, but not limited to, care infrastructure and patient satisfaction. The commissioner shall ensure that any quality data reporting requirements established under this subdivision are not duplicative of publicly reported, communitywide quality reporting activities currently under way in Minnesota. Nothing in this subdivision is intended to replace or duplicate current privately supported activities related to quality measurement and reporting in Minnesota."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.



**Senator Sheran from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 133:** A bill for an act relating to health occupations; establishing licensure for medical laboratory science professionals; creating an advisory council; providing penalties; establishing fees; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 148G.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 4, line 3, delete "and 16" and insert "16, and 16a"

Page 4, after line 21, insert:

"Subd. 16a. **Medical laboratory specialist in embryology or andrology.** "Medical laboratory specialist in embryology or andrology" means an individual eligible for licensure under this chapter to perform embryology or andrology testing procedures, including, but not limited to, quantitative and qualitative evaluation of gametes and embryos, the associated fluids, tissues, morphology, numbers, motility, chemistry, function, and cellular development; and microtechniques and cryopreservation of gametes, embryos, and reproductive tissues. This definition also includes all the testing and procedures involved in the diagnostic testing of patients for optimum management of primary and secondary infertility, fertility assessment, and fertility preservation."

Page 5, line 11, delete "the" and insert "a"

Page 6, after line 34, insert:

"(11) individuals who are only involved in the preanalytical or postanalytical phase of testing;"

Page 7, line 1, delete "(11)" and insert "(12)"

Page 7, line 4, delete "(12)" and insert "(13)"

Page 9, line 4, delete "validated,"

Page 9, line 23, after "one" insert "medical laboratory scientist who is a" and delete "or a" and insert "cytotechnology, andrology, or embryology; and"

Page 9, delete line 24

Page 10, line 30, delete everything after "commissioner" and insert "shall issue to the applicant the type of license that meets the experience attested to by the applicant's employer under paragraph (a), clause (2)."

Page 10, delete line 31

Page 11, delete section 8 and insert:

**"Sec. 8. [148G.07] STANDARDS FOR LICENSURE.**

**Subdivision 1. Medical laboratory scientist (MLS).** (a) The commissioner shall issue a medical laboratory scientist license to an individual who meets the following requirements:

(1) has met the medical laboratory education, experience, and training required by an appropriate nationally recognized certification agency; and

(2) passes a nationally recognized certification examination administered by the American Society for Clinical Pathology Board of Certification, American Medical Technologists, American Association of Bioanalysts, the American Board of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics, or successor organizations in one of the following areas:

(i) medical laboratory scientist or medical technologist generalist;

(ii) medical laboratory scientist, categorical;

(iii) medical laboratory specialist in molecular biology;

(iv) medical laboratory specialist in cytogenetics;

(v) histocompatibility technologist;

(vi) cytotechnologist;

(vii) histotechnologist;

(viii) medical laboratory specialist in embryology or andrology; or

(ix) medical laboratory subspecialist.

(b) As an alternative to paragraph (a), a medical laboratory subspecialist may meet the following requirements in order to be eligible for a license under this subdivision:

(1) possess an associate degree or equivalent from a regionally accredited college or university;

(2) has medical laboratory experience and training of at least one year of on-the-job training;  
and

(3) is deemed competent through written confirmation by the respective laboratory director.

Subd. 2. **Medical laboratory technician (MLT).** The commissioner shall issue a medical laboratory technician license to an individual who meets the following requirements:

(1) has met the medical laboratory education, experience, and training required by a nationally recognized certification agency; and

(2) passes a nationally recognized certification examination administered by the American Society for Clinical Pathology Board of Certification, American Medical Technologists, American Association of Bioanalysts, or successor organizations in one of the following areas:

(i) medical laboratory technician; or

(ii) histotechnician.

Subd. 3. **Staff requirements.** In compliance with CLIA and applicable accreditation standards, employers and laboratory directors shall determine the appropriate license for staff, staffing levels, and skill mix needed for the patient population and services provided by the individual laboratory."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2134:** A bill for an act relating to health; making changes to the Minnesota prescription monitoring program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 152.126, as amended.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2729:** A bill for an act relating to business organizations; regulating certain filings, recordings, and registrations with the secretary of state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 49.215, subdivision 3; 270C.63, subdivision 6; 321.0810; 323A.0903; 336A.01, subdivision 16; 336A.08, subdivision 4; 336A.11; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 336A.031; 336A.08, subdivision 3.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 18, reinstate ", upon"

Page 1, line 19, reinstate everything after "and"

Page 1, lines 20 and 21, reinstate the stricken language

Page 2, delete lines 10 to 14

Page 6, after line 20, insert:

"Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 336A.13, is amended to read:

**336A.13 RECEIPT OF WRITTEN NOTICE.**

For purposes of United States Code, title 7, section 1631, and this chapter, receipt of written notice means the date the notice is actually received by a farm product dealer or the first date that delivery is attempted by a carrier. ~~A farm product dealer must act in good faith.~~ For a mailed notice, a farm product dealer is presumed to have received the notice by five business days after it was mailed unless by ten days after it was mailed the farm product dealer notifies the secretary of state in writing that it has not received the notice by that time. For a notice provided by electronic transmission or posting, a farm product dealer is presumed to have received the notice five business days after the list required to be distributed or made available by section 336A.08, subdivision 4, is posted on an electronic network or site accessible on the Internet or a mobile application, computer, mobile device, tablet, or other electronic device, together with a separate notice of posting, which is provided by the secretary of state by electronic mail to the address at which the farm product dealer has consented to receive notice of posting.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon certification by the secretary of state that the United States Department of Agriculture, Grain Inspectors, Packers & Stockyards Administration has approved the Minnesota central notification system 2014 proposal. The secretary of state shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal certification is obtained."

ReNUMBER the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2397:** A bill for an act relating to human services; removing obsolete provisions from statute and rule relating to children and family services, health care, chemical and mental health services, continuing care, and operations; modifying provisions governing the elderly waiver, the alternative care program, and mental health services for children; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 13.46, subdivision 4; 245.4871, subdivisions 3, 6, 27; 245.4873, subdivision 2; 245.4874, subdivision 1; 245.4881, subdivisions 3, 4; 245.4882, subdivision 1; 245A.40, subdivision 8; 245C.04, subdivision 1; 245C.05, subdivision 5; 246.325; 254B.05, subdivision 2; 256.01, subdivision 14b; 256.963, subdivision 2; 256.969, subdivision 9; 256B.0913, subdivisions 5a, 14; 256B.0915, subdivisions 3c, 3d, 3f, 3g; 256B.0943, subdivisions 8, 10, 12; 256B.69, subdivisions 2, 4b, 5, 5a, 5b, 6b, 6d, 17, 26, 29, 30; 256B.692, subdivisions 2, 5; 256D.02, subdivision 11; 256D.04; 256D.045; 256D.07; 256I.04, subdivision 3; 256I.05, subdivision 1c; 256J.425, subdivision 4; 518A.65; 595.06; 626.556, subdivision 3c; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245A.03, subdivision 7; 245A.40, subdivision 5; 245A.50, subdivision 3; 256B.0943, subdivisions 2, 7; 256B.69, subdivisions 5c, 28; 256B.76, subdivision 4; 256D.02, subdivision 12a; 517.04; Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 3, section 48; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 119A.04, subdivision 1; 119B.035; 119B.09, subdivision 2; 119B.23; 119B.231; 119B.232; 245.0311; 245.0312; 245.072; 245.4861; 245.487, subdivisions 4, 5; 245.4871, subdivisions 7, 11, 18, 25; 245.4872; 245.4873, subdivisions 3, 6; 245.4875, subdivisions 3, 6, 7; 245.4883, subdivision 1; 245.490; 245.492, subdivisions 6, 8, 13, 19; 245.4932, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 245.4933; 245.494; 245.63; 245.652; 245.69, subdivision 1; 245.714; 245.715; 245.717; 245.718; 245.721; 245.77; 245.821; 245.827; 245.981; 245A.02, subdivision 7b; 245A.09, subdivision 12; 245A.11, subdivision 5; 245A.655; 246.012; 246.0135; 246.016; 246.023, subdivision 1; 246.16; 246.28; 246.71; 246.711; 246.712; 246.713; 246.714; 246.715; 246.716; 246.717; 246.718; 246.719; 246.72; 246.721; 246.722; 251.045; 252.05; 252.07; 252.09; 254.01; 254.03; 254.04; 254.06; 254.07; 254.09; 254.10; 254.11; 254A.05, subdivision 1; 254A.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 254A.16, subdivision 1; 254B.01, subdivision 1; 254B.04, subdivision 3; 256.01, subdivisions 3, 14, 14a; 256.959; 256.964; 256.9691; 256.971; 256.975, subdivision 3; 256.9753, subdivision 4; 256.9792; 256B.04, subdivision 16; 256B.043; 256B.0656; 256B.0657; 256B.075, subdivision 4; 256B.0757, subdivision 7; 256B.0913, subdivision 9; 256B.0916, subdivisions 6, 6a; 256B.0928; 256B.19, subdivision 3; 256B.431, subdivisions 28, 31, 33, 34, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43; 256B.434, subdivision 19; 256B.440; 256B.441, subdivisions 46, 46a; 256B.491; 256B.501, subdivisions 3a, 3b, 3h, 3j, 3k, 3l, 5e; 256B.5016; 256B.503; 256B.53; 256B.69, subdivisions 5e, 6c, 24a; 256B.692, subdivision 10; 256D.02, subdivision 19; 256D.05, subdivision 4; 256D.46; 256I.05, subdivisions 1b, 5; 256I.07; 256J.24, subdivision 10; 256K.35; 259.85, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5; 518A.53, subdivision 7; 518A.74; 626.557, subdivision 16; 626.5593; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 246.0251; 254.05; 254B.13, subdivision 3; 256B.31; 256B.501, subdivision 5b; 256C.05; 256C.29; 259.85, subdivision 1; Minnesota Rules, parts 9549.0020, subparts 2, 12, 13, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47; 9549.0030; 9549.0035, subparts 4, 5, 6; 9549.0036; 9549.0040; 9549.0041, subparts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15; 9549.0050; 9549.0051, subparts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14; 9549.0053; 9549.0054; 9549.0055, subpart 4; 9549.0056; 9549.0060, subparts 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 12, 13; 9549.0061; 9549.0070, subparts 1, 4.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 45, after line 16, insert:

"Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 256B.0943, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(a) "Children's therapeutic services and supports" means the flexible package of mental health services for children who require varying therapeutic and rehabilitative levels of intervention. The services are time-limited interventions that are delivered using various treatment modalities and combinations of services designed to reach treatment outcomes identified in the individual treatment plan.

(b) "Clinical supervision" means the overall responsibility of the mental health professional for the control and direction of individualized treatment planning, service delivery, and treatment review for each client. A mental health professional who is an enrolled Minnesota health care program provider accepts full professional responsibility for a supervisee's actions and decisions, instructs the supervisee in the supervisee's work, and oversees or directs the supervisee's work.

(c) "County board" means the county board of commissioners or board established under sections 402.01 to 402.10 or 471.59.

(d) "Crisis assistance" has the meaning given in section 245.4871, subdivision 9a.

(e) "Culturally competent provider" means a provider who understands and can utilize to a client's benefit the client's culture when providing services to the client. A provider may be culturally competent because the provider is of the same cultural or ethnic group as the client or the provider has developed the knowledge and skills through training and experience to provide services to culturally diverse clients.

(f) "Day treatment program" for children means a site-based structured mental health program consisting of group psychotherapy for more than three or more individuals and other intensive therapeutic services individual or group skills training provided by a multidisciplinary team, under the clinical supervision of a mental health professional.

(g) "Diagnostic assessment" has the meaning given in Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0372, subpart 1.

(h) "Direct service time" means the time that a mental health professional, mental health practitioner, or mental health behavioral aide spends face-to-face with a client and the client's family. Direct service time includes time in which the provider obtains a client's history or provides service components of children's therapeutic services and supports. Direct service time does not include time doing work before and after providing direct services, including scheduling, maintaining clinical records, consulting with others about the client's mental health status, preparing reports, receiving clinical supervision, and revising the client's individual treatment plan.

(i) "Direction of mental health behavioral aide" means the activities of a mental health professional or mental health practitioner in guiding the mental health behavioral aide in providing services to a client. The direction of a mental health behavioral aide must be based on the client's individualized treatment plan and meet the requirements in subdivision 6, paragraph (b), clause (5).

(j) "Emotional disturbance" has the meaning given in section 245.4871, subdivision 15. For persons at least age 18 but under age 21, mental illness has the meaning given in section 245.462, subdivision 20, paragraph (a).

(k) "Individual behavioral plan" means a plan of intervention, treatment, and services for a child written by a mental health professional or mental health practitioner, under the clinical supervision of a mental health professional, to guide the work of the mental health behavioral aide.

(l) "Individual treatment plan" has the meaning given in section 245.4871, subdivision 21.

(m) "Mental health behavioral aide services" means medically necessary one-on-one activities performed by a trained paraprofessional to assist a child retain or generalize psychosocial skills as taught by a mental health professional or mental health practitioner and as described in the child's individual treatment plan and individual behavior plan. Activities involve working directly with the child or child's family as provided in subdivision 9, paragraph (b), clause (4).

(n) "Mental health practitioner" means an individual as defined in section 245.4871, subdivision 26.

(o) "Mental health professional" means an individual as defined in section 245.4871, subdivision 27, clauses (1) to (6), or tribal vendor as defined in section 256B.02, subdivision 7, paragraph (b).

(p) "Mental health service plan development" includes:

(1) the development, review, and revision of a child's individual treatment plan, as provided in Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0371, subpart 7, including involvement of the client or client's parents, primary caregiver, or other person authorized to consent to mental health services for the client, and including arrangement of treatment and support activities specified in the individual treatment plan; and

(2) administering standardized outcome measurement instruments, determined and updated by the commissioner, as periodically needed to evaluate the effectiveness of treatment for children receiving clinical services and reporting outcome measures, as required by the commissioner.

(q) "Skills training" means individual, family, or group training, delivered by or under the direction of a mental health professional, designed to facilitate the acquisition of psychosocial skills that are medically necessary to rehabilitate the child to an age-appropriate developmental trajectory heretofore disrupted by a psychiatric illness or to self-monitor, compensate for, cope with, counteract, or replace skills deficits or maladaptive skills acquired over the course of a psychiatric illness. Skills training is subject to the following requirements:

(1) a mental health professional or a mental health practitioner must provide skills training;

(2) the child must always be present during skills training; however, a brief absence of the child for no more than ten percent of the session unit may be allowed to redirect or instruct family members;

(3) skills training delivered to children or their families must be targeted to the specific deficits or maladaptations of the child's mental health disorder and must be prescribed in the child's individual treatment plan;

(4) skills training delivered to the child's family must teach skills needed by parents to enhance the child's skill development and to help the child use in daily life the skills previously taught

by a mental health professional or mental health practitioner and to develop or maintain a home environment that supports the child's progressive use skills;

(5) group skills training may be provided to multiple recipients who, because of the nature of their emotional, behavioral, or social dysfunction, can derive mutual benefit from interaction in a group setting, which must be staffed as follows:

(i) one mental health professional or one mental health practitioner under supervision of a licensed mental health professional must work with a group of four to eight clients; or

(ii) two mental health professionals or two mental health practitioners under supervision of a licensed mental health professional, or one professional plus one practitioner must work with a group of nine to 12 clients."

Page 53, line 16, after "sections" insert "158.13; 158.14; 158.15; 158.16; 158.17; 158.18; 158.19;"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 6, after "children" insert "; repealing provisions related to the Psychopathic Department of University of Minnesota Hospitals"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2753:** A bill for an act relating to the operation of state government; making changes to provisions relating to the Department of Health, Northstar Care for Children program, continuing care, community first services and supports, health care, and chemical dependency; modifying the hospital payment system; modifying provisions governing background studies and home and community-based services standards; setting fees; providing rate increases; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 13.46, subdivision 4; 245C.03, by adding a subdivision; 245C.04, by adding a subdivision; 245C.05, subdivision 5; 245C.10, by adding a subdivision; 245C.33, subdivisions 1, 4; 252.451, subdivision 2; 254B.12; 256.01, by adding a subdivision; 256.9685, subdivisions 1, 1a; 256.9686, subdivision 2; 256.969, subdivisions 1, 2, 2b, 2c, 3a, 3b, 6a, 9, 10, 14, 17, 30, by adding subdivisions; 256B.0625, subdivision 30; 256B.199; 256B.5012, by adding a subdivision; 256I.05, subdivision 2; 257.85, subdivision 11; 260C.212, subdivision 1; 260C.515, subdivision 4; 260C.611; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245.8251; 245A.042, subdivision 3; 245C.08, subdivision 1; 245D.02, subdivisions 3, 4b, 8b, 11, 15b, 29, 34, 34a, by adding a subdivision; 245D.03, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 245D.04, subdivision 3; 245D.05, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1b, 2, 4, 5; 245D.051; 245D.06, subdivisions 2, 4, 6, 7, 8; 245D.071, subdivisions 3, 4, 5; 245D.081, subdivision 2; 245D.09, subdivisions 3, 4a; 245D.091, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 245D.10, subdivision 3; 245D.11, subdivision 2; 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.055, subdivision 1; 256B.439, subdivisions 1, 7; 256B.4912, subdivision 1; 256B.85, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, by adding subdivisions; 256N.02, by adding a subdivision; 256N.21, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 256N.22, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 6; 256N.23, subdivisions 1, 4; 256N.24, subdivisions 9, 10; 256N.25, subdivisions 2, 3; 256N.26, subdivision 1; 256N.27, subdivision 4; Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 7, section 49; article 14,

section 2, subdivision 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 245.825, subdivisions 1, 1b; 256.969, subdivisions 8b, 9a, 9b, 11, 13, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28; 256.9695, subdivisions 3, 4; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245D.02, subdivisions 2b, 2c, 3b, 5a, 8a, 15a, 15b, 23b, 28, 29, 34a; 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, 8; 245D.061, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; 256N.26, subdivision 7; Minnesota Rules, parts 9525.2700; 9525.2810.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 32, lines 31 to 33, reinstate the stricken language

Page 48, line 8, strike "under the"

Page 48, line 9, strike "agency-provider model"

Page 48, line 10, before "approved" insert "as"

Page 50, line 23, delete the new language and insert "employer"

Page 55, line 20, after "and" insert "enrolled as a Minnesota health care program provider as"

Page 55, line 24, delete "that may be"

Page 57, line 20, delete "a multiplier established by the commissioner" and insert "an adjustment needed"

Page 58, line 17, after "equipment" insert "listed as a covered benefit under medical assistance"

Page 58, line 27, strike "physical" and insert "health" and strike "physical" and insert "health"

Page 58, line 29, strike everything before the semicolon and insert "Minnesota health care program enrolled physician"

Page 60, line 19, delete everything after "and"

Page 60, line 20, delete "services" and insert "FMS"

Page 71, line 22, delete "years" and insert "years of"

Page 72, delete section 20

Page 74, line 19, delete everything before the semicolon and insert "staff who will have direct contact with the participant to provide worker training and development"

Page 79, line 7, delete "aversive and deprivation procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions"

Page 79, line 10, delete "aversive and deprivation"

Page 79, line 11, delete "procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions" and before "and" insert a comma

Page 79, line 33, delete "the rules after adoption of the rules" and insert "implementation of the rules and make recommendations to the commissioner about any needed policy changes after adoption of the rules"

Page 80, line 9, delete "aversive or deprivation procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions"



Page 80, line 11, delete everything after "Disabilities"

Page 80, line 12, delete "Disabilities"

Page 80, line 17, after "Health;" insert "and"

Page 80, delete lines 18 and 19

Page 80, line 20, delete "(6)" and insert "(5)"

Page 81, line 35, after "written" insert "or electronic"

Page 82, after line 6, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245A.16, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Delegation of authority to agencies.** (a) County agencies and private agencies that have been designated or licensed by the commissioner to perform licensing functions and activities under section 245A.04 and background studies for family child care under chapter 245C; to recommend denial of applicants under section 245A.05; to issue correction orders, to issue variances, and recommend a conditional license under section 245A.06, or to recommend suspending or revoking a license or issuing a fine under section 245A.07, shall comply with rules and directives of the commissioner governing those functions and with this section. The following variances are excluded from the delegation of variance authority and may be issued only by the commissioner:

(1) dual licensure of family child care and child foster care, dual licensure of child and adult foster care, and adult foster care and family child care;

(2) adult foster care maximum capacity;

(3) adult foster care minimum age requirement;

(4) child foster care maximum age requirement;

(5) variances regarding disqualified individuals except that county agencies may issue variances under section 245C.30 regarding disqualified individuals when the county is responsible for conducting a consolidated reconsideration according to sections 245C.25 and 245C.27, subdivision 2, clauses (a) and (b), of a county maltreatment determination and a disqualification based on serious or recurring maltreatment;

(6) the required presence of a caregiver in the adult foster care residence during normal sleeping hours; and

(7) variances for community residential setting licenses under chapter 245D.

Except as provided in section 245A.14, subdivision 4, paragraph (e), a county agency must not grant a license holder a variance to exceed the maximum allowable family child care license capacity of 14 children.

(b) County agencies must report information about disqualification reconsiderations under sections 245C.25 and 245C.27, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a) and (b), and variances granted under paragraph (a), clause (5), to the commissioner at least monthly in a format prescribed by the commissioner.

(c) For family day care programs, the commissioner may authorize licensing reviews every two years after a licensee has had at least one annual review.

(d) For family adult day services programs, the commissioner may authorize licensing reviews every two years after a licensee has had at least one annual review.

(e) A license issued under this section may be issued for up to two years.

(f) During implementation of chapter 245D, the commissioner shall consider:

(1) the role of counties in quality assurance;

(2) the duties of county licensing staff; and

(3) the possible use of joint powers agreements, according to section 471.59, with counties through which some licensing duties under chapter 245D may be delegated by the commissioner to the counties.

Any consideration related to this paragraph must meet all of the requirements of the corrective action plan ordered by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(g) Licensing authority specific to section 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, and 8, or successor provisions; and section 245D.061 or successor provisions, for family child foster care programs providing out-of-home respite, as identified in section 245D.03, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), clause (1), is excluded from the delegation of authority to county and private agencies."

Page 83, line 25, before the semicolon, insert "or successor provisions"

Page 85, line 25, before the semicolon, insert ", excluding out-of-home respite care provided to children in a family child foster care home licensed under Minnesota Rules, parts 2960.3000 to 2960.3100, when the child foster care license holder complies with the requirements under section 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, and 8, or successor provisions; and section 245D.061 or successor provisions, which must be stipulated in the statement of intended use required under Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3000, subpart 4"

Page 88, line 17, after "subdivision 6" insert ", or successor provisions"

Page 88, line 28, delete "or any aversive, deprivation" and insert "restrictive intervention"

Page 88, line 29, after "subdivision 5," insert "or successor provisions"

Page 88, line 31, after "245D.061" insert "or successor provisions"

Page 88, line 33, after "subdivision 8" insert ", or successor provisions"

Page 96, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245D.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Incident response and reporting.** (a) The license holder must respond to incidents under section 245D.02, subdivision 11, that occur while providing services to protect the health and safety of and minimize risk of harm to the person.

(b) The license holder must maintain information about and report incidents to the person's legal representative or designated emergency contact and case manager within 24 hours of an incident occurring while services are being provided, within 24 hours of discovery or receipt of information that an incident occurred, unless the license holder has reason to know that the incident has already been reported, or as otherwise directed in a person's coordinated service and support plan or coordinated service and support plan addendum. An incident of suspected or alleged maltreatment must be reported as required under paragraph (d), and an incident of serious injury or death must be reported as required under paragraph (e).

(c) When the incident involves more than one person, the license holder must not disclose personally identifiable information about any other person when making the report to each person and case manager unless the license holder has the consent of the person.

(d) Within 24 hours of reporting maltreatment as required under section 626.556 or 626.557, the license holder must inform the case manager of the report unless there is reason to believe that the case manager is involved in the suspected maltreatment. The license holder must disclose the nature of the activity or occurrence reported and the agency that received the report.

(e) The license holder must report the death or serious injury of the person as required in paragraph (b) and to the Department of Human Services Licensing Division, and the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities as required under section 245.94, subdivision 2a, within 24 hours of the death, or receipt of information that the death occurred, unless the license holder has reason to know that the death has already been reported.

(f) When a death or serious injury occurs in a facility certified as an intermediate care facility for persons with developmental disabilities, the death or serious injury must be reported to the Department of Health, Office of Health Facility Complaints, and the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, as required under sections 245.91 and 245.94, subdivision 2a, unless the license holder has reason to know that the death has already been reported.

(g) The license holder must conduct an internal review of incident reports of deaths and serious injuries that occurred while services were being provided and that were not reported by the program as alleged or suspected maltreatment, for identification of incident patterns, and implementation of corrective action as necessary to reduce occurrences. The review must include an evaluation of whether related policies and procedures were followed, whether the policies and procedures were adequate, whether there is a need for additional staff training, whether the reported event is similar to past events with the persons or the services involved, and whether there is a need for corrective action by the license holder to protect the health and safety of persons receiving services. Based on the results of this review, the license holder must develop, document, and implement a corrective action plan designed to correct current lapses and prevent future lapses in performance by staff or the license holder, if any.

(h) The license holder must verbally report the emergency use of manual restraint of a person as required in paragraph (b) within 24 hours of the occurrence. The license holder must ensure the written report and internal review of all incident reports of the emergency use of manual restraints are completed according to the requirements in section 245D.061 or successor provisions."

Page 100, line 22, strike "aversive or deprivation procedures" and insert "restrictive interventions"

Page 108, line 23, after "subdivision 5," insert "or successor provisions"

Page 108, line 25, before the period, insert "or successor provisions"

Page 112, after line 18, insert:

"Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245D.10, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Availability of current written policies and procedures.** (a) The license holder must review and update, as needed, the written policies and procedures required under this chapter.

(b) (1) The license holder must inform the person and case manager of the policies and procedures affecting a person's rights under section 245D.04, and provide copies of those policies and procedures, within five working days of service initiation.

(2) If a license holder only provides basic services and supports, this includes the:

(i) grievance policy and procedure required under subdivision 2; and

(ii) service suspension and termination policy and procedure required under subdivision 3.

(3) For all other license holders this includes the:

(i) policies and procedures in clause (2);

(ii) emergency use of manual restraints policy and procedure required under section 245D.061, subdivision 10, or successor provisions; and

(iii) data privacy requirements under section 245D.11, subdivision 3.

(c) The license holder must provide a written notice to all persons or their legal representatives and case managers at least 30 days before implementing any procedural revisions to policies affecting a person's service-related or protection-related rights under section 245D.04 and maltreatment reporting policies and procedures. The notice must explain the revision that was made and include a copy of the revised policy and procedure. The license holder must document the reasonable cause for not providing the notice at least 30 days before implementing the revisions.

(d) Before implementing revisions to required policies and procedures, the license holder must inform all employees of the revisions and provide training on implementation of the revised policies and procedures.

(e) The license holder must annually notify all persons, or their legal representatives, and case managers of any procedural revisions to policies required under this chapter, other than those in paragraph (c). Upon request, the license holder must provide the person, or the person's legal representative, and case manager with copies of the revised policies and procedures."

Page 131, line 25, after "repealed" insert "upon the effective date of rules adopted according to Minnesota Statutes, section 245.8251, or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when this occurs"

Page 131, line 27, after "245.8251" insert ", or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date"

Page 131, line 30, delete everything before "23b" and insert "5a, and" and delete ", 28, 29, and 34a"

Page 131, line 32, after "245.8251" insert ", or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date"

Page 131, line 35, after "245.8251" insert ", or, if sequential effective dates are used, the first effective date"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2135:** A bill for an act relating to health; adding and modifying definitions; changing the requirements for pharmacist participation in immunizations; changing the powers and duties of the Board of Pharmacy; changing licensing requirements for businesses regulated by the Board of Pharmacy; clarifying requirements for compounding; allowing certain educational institutions to purchase legend drugs in limited circumstances; allowing certain entities to handle drugs in preparation for emergency use; clarifying the requirement that drug manufacturers report certain payments to the Board of Pharmacy; adding certain substances to the schedules for controlled substances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 151.01; 151.06; 151.211; 151.26; 151.34; 151.35; 151.361, subdivision 2; 151.37, as amended; 151.44; 151.58, subdivisions 2, 3, 5; 152.02, subdivision 8b; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 151.252, by adding a subdivision; 152.02, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 151.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2435:** A bill for an act relating to crimes; establishing a task force to comprehensively review the enforcement of animal anticruelty laws and practices and make recommendations for improvements; appropriating money.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 3, after the period, insert "Two of the individuals appointed by the governor shall represent statewide farm organizations."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2607:** A bill for an act relating to human services; updating and clarifying language governing consent to marriage for developmentally disabled persons under state guardianship;

amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 246.01; 252A.111, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 517.08, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 517.03, subdivision 2.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2016:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying water appropriation provisions; providing for administrative penalties for water appropriation violations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 103G.251; 103G.271, subdivisions 5, 6; 103G.281, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 103G.301, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103G.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 1772:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; adding fifth degree assault and certain domestic assault provisions to crime of violence; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 624.712, subdivision 5.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 22, strike everything after "firearm"

Page 1, strike lines 23 and 24

Page 2, strike line 1

Page 2, line 2, strike everything before "and"

Page 2, line 4, strike the second comma and insert "or" and strike ", or 3" and strike "through third" and insert "and second"

Page 2, line 9, after "section" insert "is" and delete "2013" and insert "2014"

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete everything after the semicolon and insert "amending the definition of"

Page 1, line 3, delete "provisions to" and before the semicolon, insert "in the firearm law"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Sheran from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 1484:** A bill for an act relating to health; making changes to dental licensing provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 150A.06, subdivision 3; 150A.091, subdivision 16; 150A.10, subdivisions 2, 4.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

**"ARTICLE 1**

**HEALTH-RELATED LICENSING BOARDS**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.261, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Grounds listed.** The board may deny, revoke, suspend, limit, or condition the license and registration of any person to practice professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing under sections 148.171 to 148.285, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or applicant as described in section 148.262. The following are grounds for disciplinary action:

(1) Failure to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfy the requirements for a license contained in sections 148.171 to 148.285 or rules of the board. In the case of a person applying for a license, the burden of proof is upon the applicant to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfaction of the requirements.

(2) Employing fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a permit, license, or registration certificate to practice professional or practical nursing or attempting to subvert the licensing examination process. Conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the licensing examination process includes, but is not limited to:

(i) conduct that violates the security of the examination materials, such as removing examination materials from the examination room or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination;

(ii) conduct that violates the standard of test administration, such as communicating with another examinee during administration of the examination, copying another examinee's answers, permitting another examinee to copy one's answers, or possessing unauthorized materials; or

(iii) impersonating an examinee or permitting an impersonator to take the examination on one's own behalf.

(3) Conviction of a felony or gross misdemeanor reasonably related to the practice of professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing. Conviction as used in this subdivision includes a conviction of an offense that if committed in this state would be considered a felony or gross misdemeanor without regard to its designation elsewhere, or a criminal proceeding where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or not entered.

(4) Revocation, suspension, limitation, conditioning, or other disciplinary action against the person's professional or practical nursing license or advanced practice registered nursing credential, in another state, territory, or country; failure to report to the board that charges regarding the person's nursing license or other credential are pending in another state, territory, or country; or having been refused a license or other credential by another state, territory, or country.

(5) Failure to or inability to perform professional or practical nursing as defined in section 148.171, subdivision 14 or 15, with reasonable skill and safety, including failure of a registered nurse to supervise or a licensed practical nurse to monitor adequately the performance of acts by any person working at the nurse's direction.

(6) Engaging in unprofessional conduct, including, but not limited to, a departure from or failure to conform to board rules of professional or practical nursing practice that interpret the statutory definition of professional or practical nursing as well as provide criteria for violations of the statutes, or, if no rule exists, to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing professional or practical nursing practice, or any nursing practice that may create unnecessary danger to a patient's life, health, or safety. Actual injury to a patient need not be established under this clause.

(7) Failure of an advanced practice registered nurse to practice with reasonable skill and safety or departure from or failure to conform to standards of acceptable and prevailing advanced practice registered nursing.

(8) Delegating or accepting the delegation of a nursing function or a prescribed health care function when the delegation or acceptance could reasonably be expected to result in unsafe or ineffective patient care.

(9) Actual or potential inability to practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or any other material, or as a result of any mental or physical condition.

(10) Adjudication as mentally incompetent, mentally ill, a chemically dependent person, or a person dangerous to the public by a court of competent jurisdiction, within or without this state.

(11) Engaging in any unethical conduct, including, but not limited to, conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, or demonstrating a willful or careless disregard for the health, welfare, or safety of a patient. Actual injury need not be established under this clause.

(12) Engaging in conduct with a patient that is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual, or in any verbal behavior that is seductive or sexually demeaning to a patient, or engaging in sexual exploitation of a patient or former patient.

(13) Obtaining money, property, or services from a patient, other than reasonable fees for services provided to the patient, through the use of undue influence, harassment, duress, deception, or fraud.

(14) Revealing a privileged communication from or relating to a patient except when otherwise required or permitted by law.

(15) Engaging in abusive or fraudulent billing practices, including violations of federal Medicare and Medicaid laws or state medical assistance laws.

(16) Improper management of patient records, including failure to maintain adequate patient records, to comply with a patient's request made pursuant to sections 144.291 to 144.298, or to furnish a patient record or report required by law.

(17) Knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing an unlicensed person to engage in the unlawful practice of professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing.

(18) Violating a rule adopted by the board, an order of the board, or a state or federal law relating to the practice of professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing, or a state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law.

(19) Knowingly providing false or misleading information that is directly related to the care of that patient unless done for an accepted therapeutic purpose such as the administration of a placebo.



(20) Aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:

(i) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;

(ii) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;

(iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or

(iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.

(21) Practicing outside the scope of practice authorized by section 148.171, subdivision 5, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, or 21.

(22) Practicing outside the specific field of nursing practice for which an advanced practice registered nurse is certified unless the practice is authorized under section 148.284.

(23) Making a false statement or knowingly providing false information to the board, failing to make reports as required by section 148.263, or failing to cooperate with an investigation of the board as required by section 148.265.

(24) Engaging in false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading advertising.

(25) Failure to inform the board of the person's certification status as a nurse anesthetist, nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist.

(26) Engaging in clinical nurse specialist practice, nurse-midwife practice, nurse practitioner practice, or registered nurse anesthetist practice without current certification by a national nurse certification organization acceptable to the board, except during the period between completion of an advanced practice registered nurse course of study and certification, not to exceed six months or as authorized by the board.

(27) Engaging in conduct that is prohibited under section 145.412.

(28) Failing to report employment to the board as required by section 148.211, subdivision 2a, or knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing a person to fail to report as required by section 148.211, subdivision 2a.

(29) Discharge from the health professionals services program as described in sections 214.31 to 214.37, or any other alternative monitoring or diversion program for reasons other than satisfactory completion of the program as set forth in the participation agreement.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.261, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. **Conviction of a felony-level criminal sexual offense.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (e), the board may not grant or renew a license to practice nursing to any person who has been convicted on or after August 1, 2014, of any of the provisions of sections 609.342, subdivision 1, 609.343, subdivision 1, 609.344, subdivision 1, paragraphs (c) to (o), or 609.345, subdivision 1, paragraphs (c) to (o), or a similar statute in another jurisdiction.

(b) A license to practice nursing is automatically revoked if the licensee is convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) A license to practice nursing that has been denied or revoked under this subdivision is not subject to chapter 364.

(d) For purposes of this subdivision, "conviction" means a plea of guilty, a verdict of guilty by a jury, or a finding of guilty by the court, unless the court stays imposition or execution of the sentence and final disposition of the case is accomplished at a nonfelony level.

(e) The board may establish criteria whereby an individual convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (a) of this subdivision may become licensed provided that the criteria:

- (1) utilize a rebuttable presumption that the applicant is not suitable for licensing;
- (2) provide a standard for overcoming the presumption; and
- (3) require that a minimum of ten years has elapsed since the applicant's sentence was discharged.

The board shall not consider an application under this paragraph if the board determines that the victim involved in the offense was a patient or a client of the applicant at the time of the offense.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.261, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Evidence.** In disciplinary actions alleging a violation of subdivision 1, clause (3) or (4), or subdivision 1a, a copy of the judgment or proceeding under the seal of the court administrator or of the administrative agency that entered the same shall be admissible into evidence without further authentication and shall constitute prima facie evidence of the violation concerned.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.01, subdivision 8a, is amended to read:

Subd. 8a. **Resident dentist.** "Resident dentist" means a person who is licensed to practice dentistry as an enrolled graduate student or student of an advanced education program accredited by the ~~American Dental Association~~ Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Dentists.** A person of good moral character who has graduated from a dental program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~, having submitted an application and fee as prescribed by the board, may be examined by the board or by an agency pursuant to section 150A.03, subdivision 1, in a manner to test the applicant's fitness to practice dentistry. A graduate of a dental college in another country must not be disqualified from examination solely because of the applicant's foreign training if the board determines that the training is equivalent to or higher than that provided by a dental college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~. In the case of examinations conducted pursuant to section 150A.03, subdivision 1, applicants shall take the examination prior to applying to the board for licensure. The examination shall include an examination of the applicant's knowledge of the laws of Minnesota relating to dentistry and the rules of the board. An applicant is ineligible to retake the clinical examination required by the board after failing it twice until further education and training are obtained as specified by the board by rule. A separate, nonrefundable fee may be charged for each time a person applies. An applicant who passes the examination in compliance with subdivision 2b, abides by professional

ethical conduct requirements, and meets all other requirements of the board shall be licensed to practice dentistry and granted a general dentist license by the board.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **Faculty dentists.** (a) Faculty members of a school of dentistry must be licensed in order to practice dentistry as defined in section 150A.05. The board may issue to members of the faculty of a school of dentistry a license designated as either a "limited faculty license" or a "full faculty license" entitling the holder to practice dentistry within the terms described in paragraph (b) or (c). The dean of a school of dentistry and program directors of a Minnesota dental hygiene or dental assisting school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~ shall certify to the board those members of the school's faculty who practice dentistry but are not licensed to practice dentistry in Minnesota. A faculty member who practices dentistry as defined in section 150A.05, before beginning duties in a school of dentistry or a dental hygiene or dental assisting school, shall apply to the board for a limited or full faculty license. Pursuant to Minnesota Rules, chapter 3100, and at the discretion of the board, a limited faculty license must be renewed annually and a full faculty license must be renewed biennially. The faculty applicant shall pay a nonrefundable fee set by the board for issuing and renewing the faculty license. The faculty license is valid during the time the holder remains a member of the faculty of a school of dentistry or a dental hygiene or dental assisting school and subjects the holder to this chapter.

(b) The board may issue to dentist members of the faculty of a Minnesota school of dentistry, dental hygiene, or dental assisting accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~, a license designated as a limited faculty license entitling the holder to practice dentistry within the school and its affiliated teaching facilities, but only for the purposes of teaching or conducting research. The practice of dentistry at a school facility for purposes other than teaching or research is not allowed unless the dentist was a faculty member on August 1, 1993.

(c) The board may issue to dentist members of the faculty of a Minnesota school of dentistry, dental hygiene, or dental assisting accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~ a license designated as a full faculty license entitling the holder to practice dentistry within the school and its affiliated teaching facilities and elsewhere if the holder of the license is employed 50 percent time or more by the school in the practice of teaching or research, and upon successful review by the board of the applicant's qualifications as described in subdivisions 1, 1c, and 4 and board rule. The board, at its discretion, may waive specific licensing prerequisites.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 1c, is amended to read:

Subd. 1c. **Specialty dentists.** (a) The board may grant a one or more specialty license licenses in the specialty areas of dentistry that are recognized by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation.

(b) An applicant for a specialty license shall:

(1) have successfully completed a postdoctoral specialty ~~education~~ program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~, or have announced a limitation of practice before 1967;

(2) have been certified by a specialty ~~examining~~ board approved by the Minnesota Board of Dentistry, or provide evidence of having passed a clinical examination for licensure required for

practice in any state or Canadian province, or in the case of oral and maxillofacial surgeons only, have a Minnesota medical license in good standing;

(3) have been in active practice or a postdoctoral specialty education program or United States government service at least 2,000 hours in the 36 months prior to applying for a specialty license;

(4) if requested by the board, be interviewed by a committee of the board, which may include the assistance of specialists in the evaluation process, and satisfactorily respond to questions designed to determine the applicant's knowledge of dental subjects and ability to practice;

(5) if requested by the board, present complete records on a sample of patients treated by the applicant. The sample must be drawn from patients treated by the applicant during the 36 months preceding the date of application. The number of records shall be established by the board. The records shall be reasonably representative of the treatment typically provided by the applicant for each specialty area;

(6) at board discretion, pass a board-approved English proficiency test if English is not the applicant's primary language;

(7) pass all components of the National Board Dental Examinations;

(8) pass the Minnesota Board of Dentistry jurisprudence examination;

(9) abide by professional ethical conduct requirements; and

(10) meet all other requirements prescribed by the Board of Dentistry.

(c) The application must include:

(1) a completed application furnished by the board;

(2) at least two character references from two different dentists for each specialty area, one of whom must be a dentist practicing in the same specialty area, and the other from the director of the each specialty program attended;

(3) a licensed physician's statement attesting to the applicant's physical and mental condition;

(4) a statement from a licensed ophthalmologist or optometrist attesting to the applicant's visual acuity;

(5) a nonrefundable fee; and

(6) a notarized, unmounted passport-type photograph, three inches by three inches, taken not more than six months before the date of application.

(d) A specialty dentist holding a one or more specialty license licenses is limited to practicing in the dentist's designated specialty area or areas. The scope of practice must be defined by each national specialty board recognized by the ~~American Dental Association~~ Commission on Dental Accreditation.

(e) A specialty dentist holding a general dentist dental license is limited to practicing in the dentist's designated specialty area or areas if the dentist has announced a limitation of practice. The scope of practice must be defined by each national specialty board recognized by the ~~American Dental Association~~ Commission on Dental Accreditation.

(f) All specialty dentists who have fulfilled the specialty dentist requirements and who intend to limit their practice to a particular specialty area or areas may apply for a one or more specialty license licenses.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 1d, is amended to read:

Subd. 1d. **Dental therapists.** A person of good moral character who has graduated with a baccalaureate degree or a master's degree from a dental therapy education program that has been approved by the board or accredited by the ~~American Dental Association~~ Commission on Dental Accreditation or another board-approved national accreditation organization may apply for licensure.

The applicant must submit an application and fee as prescribed by the board and a diploma or certificate from a dental therapy education program. Prior to being licensed, the applicant must pass a comprehensive, competency-based clinical examination that is approved by the board and administered independently of an institution providing dental therapy education. The applicant must also pass an examination testing the applicant's knowledge of the Minnesota laws and rules relating to the practice of dentistry. An applicant who has failed the clinical examination twice is ineligible to retake the clinical examination until further education and training are obtained as specified by the board. A separate, nonrefundable fee may be charged for each time a person applies. An applicant who passes the examination in compliance with subdivision 2b, abides by professional ethical conduct requirements, and meets all the other requirements of the board shall be licensed as a dental therapist.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Dental hygienists.** A person of good moral character, who has graduated from a dental hygiene program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~ and established in an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education to offer college-level programs, may apply for licensure. The dental hygiene program must provide a minimum of two academic years of dental hygiene education. The applicant must submit an application and fee as prescribed by the board and a diploma or certificate of dental hygiene. Prior to being licensed, the applicant must pass the National Board of Dental Hygiene examination and a board approved examination designed to determine the applicant's clinical competency. In the case of examinations conducted pursuant to section 150A.03, subdivision 1, applicants shall take the examination before applying to the board for licensure. The applicant must also pass an examination testing the applicant's knowledge of the laws of Minnesota relating to the practice of dentistry and of the rules of the board. An applicant is ineligible to retake the clinical examination required by the board after failing it twice until further education and training are obtained as specified by board rule. A separate, nonrefundable fee may be charged for each time a person applies. An applicant who passes the examination in compliance with subdivision 2b, abides by professional ethical conduct requirements, and meets all the other requirements of the board shall be licensed as a dental hygienist.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Licensed dental assistant.** A person of good moral character, who has graduated from a dental assisting program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation ~~of the American Dental Association~~, may apply for licensure. The applicant must submit an application and fee as prescribed by the board and the diploma or certificate of dental assisting. In the case of examinations

conducted pursuant to section 150A.03, subdivision 1, applicants shall take the examination before applying to the board for licensure. The examination shall include an examination of the applicant's knowledge of the laws of Minnesota relating to dentistry and the rules of the board. An applicant is ineligible to retake the licensure examination required by the board after failing it twice until further education and training are obtained as specified by board rule. A separate, nonrefundable fee may be charged for each time a person applies. An applicant who passes the examination in compliance with subdivision 2b, abides by professional ethical conduct requirements, and meets all the other requirements of the board shall be licensed as a dental assistant.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 2d, is amended to read:

**Subd. 2d. Continuing education and professional development waiver.** (a) The board shall grant a waiver to the continuing education requirements under this chapter for a licensed dentist, licensed dental therapist, licensed dental hygienist, or licensed dental assistant who documents to the satisfaction of the board that the dentist, dental therapist, dental hygienist, or licensed dental assistant has retired from active practice in the state and limits the provision of dental care services to those offered without compensation in a public health, community, or tribal clinic or a nonprofit organization that provides services to the indigent or to recipients of medical assistance, general assistance medical care, or MinnesotaCare programs.

(b) The board may require written documentation from the volunteer and retired dentist, dental therapist, dental hygienist, or licensed dental assistant prior to granting this waiver.

(c) The board shall require the volunteer and retired dentist, dental therapist, dental hygienist, or licensed dental assistant to meet the following requirements:

(1) a licensee seeking a waiver under this subdivision must complete and document at least five hours of approved courses in infection control, medical emergencies, and medical management for the continuing education cycle; and

(2) provide documentation of current CPR certification from completion of the American Heart Association healthcare provider course; or the American Red Cross professional rescuer course; ~~or an equivalent entity.~~

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

**Subd. 3. Waiver of examination.** (a) All or any part of the examination for dentists or dental hygienists, except that pertaining to the law of Minnesota relating to dentistry and the rules of the board, may, at the discretion of the board, be waived for an applicant who presents a certificate of having passed all components of the National Board Dental Examinations or evidence of having maintained an adequate scholastic standing as determined by the board, in dental school as to dentists, or dental hygiene school as to dental hygienists.

(b) The board shall waive the clinical examination required for licensure for any dentist applicant who is a graduate of a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, who has passed all components of the National Board Dental Examinations, and who has satisfactorily completed a Minnesota-based postdoctoral general dentistry residency program (GPR) or an advanced education in general dentistry (AEGD) program after January 1, 2004. The postdoctoral program must be accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, be of at least one year's duration, and include an outcome assessment evaluation assessing the resident's competence to practice

dentistry. The board may require the applicant to submit any information deemed necessary by the board to determine whether the waiver is applicable. ~~The board may waive the clinical examination for an applicant who meets the requirements of this paragraph and has satisfactorily completed an accredited postdoctoral general dentistry residency program located outside of Minnesota.~~

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.06, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Licensure by credentials.** (a) Any dental assistant may, upon application and payment of a fee established by the board, apply for licensure based on an evaluation of the applicant's education, experience, and performance record in lieu of completing a board-approved dental assisting program for expanded functions as defined in rule, and may be interviewed by the board to determine if the applicant:

(1) has graduated from an accredited dental assisting program accredited by the Commission of on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or is currently certified by the Dental Assisting National Board;

(2) is not subject to any pending or final disciplinary action in another state or Canadian province, or if not currently certified or registered, previously had a certification or registration in another state or Canadian province in good standing that was not subject to any final or pending disciplinary action at the time of surrender;

(3) is of good moral character and abides by professional ethical conduct requirements;

(4) at board discretion, has passed a board-approved English proficiency test if English is not the applicant's primary language; and

(5) has met all expanded functions curriculum equivalency requirements of a Minnesota board-approved dental assisting program.

(b) The board, at its discretion, may waive specific licensure requirements in paragraph (a).

(c) An applicant who fulfills the conditions of this subdivision and demonstrates the minimum knowledge in dental subjects required for licensure under subdivision 2a must be licensed to practice the applicant's profession.

(d) If the applicant does not demonstrate the minimum knowledge in dental subjects required for licensure under subdivision 2a, the application must be denied. If licensure is denied, the board may notify the applicant of any specific remedy that the applicant could take which, when passed, would qualify the applicant for licensure. A denial does not prohibit the applicant from applying for licensure under subdivision 2a.

(e) A candidate whose application has been denied may appeal the decision to the board according to subdivision 4a.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.091, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Initial license or permit fees.** Along with the application fee, each of the following applicants shall submit a separate ~~prorated~~ initial license or permit fee. The ~~prorated~~ initial fee shall be established by the board based on the number of months of the applicant's initial term as described in Minnesota Rules, part 3100.1700, subpart 1a, not to exceed the following monthly nonrefundable fee amounts:

- (1) dentist or full faculty dentist, ~~\$14 times the number of months of the initial term~~ \$168;
- (2) dental therapist, ~~\$10 times the number of months of the initial term~~ \$120;
- (3) dental hygienist, ~~\$5 times the number of months of the initial term~~ \$60;
- (4) licensed dental assistant, ~~\$3 times the number of months of the initial term~~ \$36; and
- (5) dental assistant with a permit as described in Minnesota Rules, part 3100.8500, subpart 3, ~~\$1 times the number of months of the initial term~~ \$12.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.091, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Duplicate license or certificate fee.** Each applicant shall submit, with a request for issuance of a duplicate of the original license, or of an annual or biennial renewal certificate for a license or permit, a fee in the following amounts:

- (1) original dentist, full faculty dentist, dental therapist, dental hygiene, or dental assistant license, \$35; and
- (2) annual or biennial renewal certificates, \$10; and
- (3) wallet-sized license and renewal certificate, \$15.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.091, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. **Failure of professional development portfolio audit.** ~~A licensee shall submit a fee as established by the board not to exceed the amount of \$250 after failing two consecutive professional development portfolio audits and, thereafter, for each failed~~ (a) If a licensee fails a professional development portfolio audit under Minnesota Rules, part 3100.5300, the board is authorized to take the following actions:

- (1) for the first failure, the board may issue a warning to the licensee;
  - (2) for the second failure within ten years, the board may assess a penalty of not more than \$250;  
and
  - (3) for any additional failures within the ten year period, the board may assess a penalty of not more than \$1000.
- (b) In addition to the penalty fee, the board may initiate the complaint process to address multiple failed audits.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 150A.10, is amended to read:

**150A.10 ALLIED DENTAL PERSONNEL.**

Subdivision 1. **Dental hygienists.** Any licensed dentist, licensed dental therapist, public institution, or school authority may obtain services from a licensed dental hygienist. The licensed dental hygienist may provide those services defined in section 150A.05, subdivision 1a. The services provided shall not include the establishment of a final diagnosis or treatment plan for a dental patient. All services shall be provided under supervision of a licensed dentist. Any licensed dentist who shall permit any dental service by a dental hygienist other than those authorized by the Board of Dentistry, shall be deemed to be violating the provisions of sections 150A.01 to 150A.12,



and any unauthorized dental service by a dental hygienist shall constitute a violation of sections 150A.01 to 150A.12.

Subd. 1a. **Limited authorization for dental hygienists.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 1, a dental hygienist licensed under this chapter may be employed or retained by a health care facility, program, or nonprofit organization to perform dental hygiene services described under paragraph (b) without the patient first being examined by a licensed dentist if the dental hygienist:

(1) has been engaged in the active practice of clinical dental hygiene for not less than 2,400 hours in the past 18 months or a career total of 3,000 hours, including a minimum of 200 hours of clinical practice in two of the past three years;

(2) has entered into a collaborative agreement with a licensed dentist that designates authorization for the services provided by the dental hygienist;

(3) has documented participation in courses in infection control and medical emergencies within each continuing education cycle; and

(4) maintains current CPR certification from completion of the American Heart Association healthcare provider course; or the American Red Cross professional rescuer course; ~~or an equivalent entity.~~

(b) The dental hygiene services authorized to be performed by a dental hygienist under this subdivision are limited to:

(1) oral health promotion and disease prevention education;

(2) removal of deposits and stains from the surfaces of the teeth;

(3) application of topical preventive or prophylactic agents, including fluoride varnishes and pit and fissure sealants;

(4) polishing and smoothing restorations;

(5) removal of marginal overhangs;

(6) performance of preliminary charting;

(7) taking of radiographs; and

(8) performance of scaling and root planing.

The dental hygienist may administer injections of local anesthetic agents or nitrous oxide inhalation analgesia as specifically delegated in the collaborative agreement with a licensed dentist. The dentist need not first examine the patient or be present. If the patient is considered medically compromised, the collaborative dentist shall review the patient record, including the medical history, prior to the provision of these services. Collaborating dental hygienists may work with unlicensed and licensed dental assistants who may only perform duties for which licensure is not required. The performance of dental hygiene services in a health care facility, program, or nonprofit organization as authorized under this subdivision is limited to patients, students, and residents of the facility, program, or organization.

(c) A collaborating dentist must be licensed under this chapter and may enter into a collaborative agreement with no more than four dental hygienists unless otherwise authorized by the board. The

board shall develop parameters and a process for obtaining authorization to collaborate with more than four dental hygienists. The collaborative agreement must include:

- (1) consideration for medically compromised patients and medical conditions for which a dental evaluation and treatment plan must occur prior to the provision of dental hygiene services;
- (2) age- and procedure-specific standard collaborative practice protocols, including recommended intervals for the performance of dental hygiene services and a period of time in which an examination by a dentist should occur;
- (3) copies of consent to treatment form provided to the patient by the dental hygienist;
- (4) specific protocols for the placement of pit and fissure sealants and requirements for follow-up care to assure the efficacy of the sealants after application; and
- (5) a procedure for creating and maintaining dental records for the patients that are treated by the dental hygienist. This procedure must specify where these records are to be located.

The collaborative agreement must be signed and maintained by the dentist, the dental hygienist, and the facility, program, or organization; must be reviewed annually by the collaborating dentist and dental hygienist; and must be made available to the board upon request.

(d) Before performing any services authorized under this subdivision, a dental hygienist must provide the patient with a consent to treatment form which must include a statement advising the patient that the dental hygiene services provided are not a substitute for a dental examination by a licensed dentist. If the dental hygienist makes any referrals to the patient for further dental procedures, the dental hygienist must fill out a referral form and provide a copy of the form to the collaborating dentist.

(e) For the purposes of this subdivision, a "health care facility, program, or nonprofit organization" is limited to a hospital; nursing home; home health agency; group home serving the elderly, disabled, or juveniles; state-operated facility licensed by the commissioner of human services or the commissioner of corrections; and federal, state, or local public health facility, community clinic, tribal clinic, school authority, Head Start program, or nonprofit organization that serves individuals who are uninsured or who are Minnesota health care public program recipients.

(f) For purposes of this subdivision, a "collaborative agreement" means a written agreement with a licensed dentist who authorizes and accepts responsibility for the services performed by the dental hygienist. The services authorized under this subdivision and the collaborative agreement may be performed without the presence of a licensed dentist and may be performed at a location other than the usual place of practice of the dentist or dental hygienist and without a dentist's diagnosis and treatment plan, unless specified in the collaborative agreement.

Subd. 2. **Dental assistants.** Every licensed dentist and dental therapist who uses the services of any unlicensed person for the purpose of assistance in the practice of dentistry or dental therapy shall be responsible for the acts of such unlicensed person while engaged in such assistance. The dentist or dental therapist shall permit the unlicensed assistant to perform only those acts which are authorized to be delegated to unlicensed assistants by the Board of Dentistry. The acts shall be performed under supervision of a licensed dentist or dental therapist. A licensed dental therapist shall not supervise more than four ~~registered~~ licensed or unlicensed dental assistants at any one practice setting. The board may permit differing levels of dental assistance based upon recognized

educational standards, approved by the board, for the training of dental assistants. The board may also define by rule the scope of practice of licensed and unlicensed dental assistants. The board by rule may require continuing education for differing levels of dental assistants, as a condition to their license or authority to perform their authorized duties. Any licensed dentist or dental therapist who permits an unlicensed assistant to perform any dental service other than that authorized by the board shall be deemed to be enabling an unlicensed person to practice dentistry, and commission of such an act by an unlicensed assistant shall constitute a violation of sections 150A.01 to 150A.12.

Subd. 3. **Dental technicians.** Every licensed dentist and dental therapist who uses the services of any unlicensed person, other than under the dentist's or dental therapist's supervision and within the same practice setting, for the purpose of constructing, altering, repairing or duplicating any denture, partial denture, crown, bridge, splint, orthodontic, prosthetic or other dental appliance, shall be required to furnish such unlicensed person with a written work order in such form as shall be prescribed by the rules of the board. The work order shall be made in duplicate form, a duplicate copy to be retained in a permanent file of the dentist or dental therapist at the practice setting for a period of two years, and the original to be retained in a permanent file for a period of two years by the unlicensed person in that person's place of business. The permanent file of work orders to be kept by the dentist, dental therapist, or unlicensed person shall be open to inspection at any reasonable time by the board or its duly constituted agent.

Subd. 4. **Restorative procedures.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivisions 1, 1a, and 2, a licensed dental hygienist or licensed dental assistant may perform the following restorative procedures:

- (1) place, contour, and adjust amalgam restorations;
- (2) place, contour, and adjust glass ionomer;
- (3) adapt and cement stainless steel crowns; ~~and~~
- (4) place, contour, and adjust class I and class V supragingival composite restorations where the margins are entirely within the enamel; and
- (5) place, contour, and adjust class II and class V supragingival composite restorations on primary teeth.

(b) The restorative procedures described in paragraph (a) may be performed only if:

- (1) the licensed dental hygienist or licensed dental assistant has completed a board-approved course on the specific procedures;
- (2) the board-approved course includes a component that sufficiently prepares the licensed dental hygienist or licensed dental assistant to adjust the occlusion on the newly placed restoration;
- (3) a licensed dentist or licensed advanced dental therapist has authorized the procedure to be performed; and
- (4) a licensed dentist or licensed advanced dental therapist is available in the clinic while the procedure is being performed.

(c) The dental faculty who teaches the educators of the board-approved courses specified in paragraph (b) must have prior experience teaching these procedures in an accredited dental education program.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 214.09, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Compensation.** (a) Members of the boards may be compensated at the rate of ~~\$55~~ \$75 a day spent on board activities, when authorized by the board, plus expenses in the same manner and amount as authorized by the commissioner's plan adopted under section 43A.18, subdivision 2. Members who, as a result of time spent attending board meetings, incur child care expenses that would not otherwise have been incurred, may be reimbursed for those expenses upon board authorization.

(b) Members who are state employees or employees of the political subdivisions of the state must not receive the daily payment for activities that occur during working hours for which they are also compensated by the state or political subdivision. However, a state or political subdivision employee may receive the daily payment if the employee uses vacation time or compensatory time accumulated in accordance with a collective bargaining agreement or compensation plan for board activity. Members who are state employees or employees of the political subdivisions of the state may receive the expenses provided for in this subdivision unless the expenses are reimbursed by another source. Members who are state employees or employees of political subdivisions of the state may be reimbursed for child care expenses only for time spent on board activities that are outside their working hours.

(c) Each board must adopt internal standards prescribing what constitutes a day spent on board activities for purposes of making daily payments under this subdivision.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 214.32, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Duties of a participating board.** Upon receiving a report from the program manager in accordance with section 214.33, subdivision 3, that a regulated person has been discharged from the program due to noncompliance based on allegations that the regulated person has engaged in conduct that might cause risk to the public, the participating board may temporarily suspend the regulated person's professional license until the completion of a disciplinary investigation. The board must complete the disciplinary investigation within 60 days of receipt of the report from the program. If the investigation is not completed by the board within 60 days, the temporary suspension shall be lifted, unless the regulated person requests a delay in the disciplinary proceedings for any reason, upon which the temporary suspension shall remain in place until the completion of the investigation.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 214.33, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Program manager.** (a) The program manager shall report to the appropriate participating board a regulated person who:

- (1) does not meet program admission criteria;
- (2) violates the terms of the program participation agreement;~~or;~~
- (3) leaves or is discharged from the program except upon fulfilling the terms for successful completion of the program as set forth in the participation agreement;
- (4) is subject to the provisions of sections 214.17 to 214.25;
- (5) causes identifiable patient harm;
- (6) unlawfully substitutes or adulterates medications;

(7) writes a prescription or causes a prescription to be dispensed in the name of a person, other than the prescriber, or veterinary patient for the personal use of the prescriber;

(8) alters a prescription without the knowledge of the prescriber for the purpose of obtaining a drug for personal use;

(9) unlawfully uses a controlled or mood-altering substance or uses alcohol while providing patient care or during the period of time in which the regulated person may be contacted to provide patient care or is otherwise on duty, if current use is the reason for participation in the program or the use occurs while the regulated person is participating in the program; or

The program manager shall report to the appropriate participating board a regulated person who (10) is alleged to have committed violations of the person's practice act that are outside the authority of the health professionals services program as described in sections 214.31 to 214.37.

(b) The program manager shall inform any reporting person of the disposition of the person's report to the program.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2014, and applies to violations that occur after the effective date.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 364.09, is amended to read:

**364.09 EXCEPTIONS.**

(a) This chapter does not apply to the licensing process for peace officers; to law enforcement agencies as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (f); to fire protection agencies; to eligibility for a private detective or protective agent license; to the licensing and background study process under chapters 245A and 245C; to eligibility for school bus driver endorsements; to eligibility for special transportation service endorsements; to eligibility for a commercial driver training instructor license, which is governed by section 171.35 and rules adopted under that section; to emergency medical services personnel, or to the licensing by political subdivisions of taxicab drivers, if the applicant for the license has been discharged from sentence for a conviction within the ten years immediately preceding application of a violation of any of the following:

(1) sections 609.185 to 609.21, 609.221 to 609.223, 609.342 to 609.3451, or 617.23, subdivision 2 or 3;

(2) any provision of chapter 152 that is punishable by a maximum sentence of 15 years or more; or

(3) a violation of chapter 169 or 169A involving driving under the influence, leaving the scene of an accident, or reckless or careless driving.

This chapter also shall not apply to eligibility for juvenile corrections employment, where the offense involved child physical or sexual abuse or criminal sexual conduct.

(b) This chapter does not apply to a school district or to eligibility for a license issued or renewed by the Board of Teaching or the commissioner of education.

(c) Nothing in this section precludes the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Training Board or the state fire marshal from recommending policies set forth in this chapter to the attorney general for adoption in the attorney general's discretion to apply to law enforcement or fire protection agencies.

(d) This chapter does not apply to a license to practice medicine that has been denied or revoked by the Board of Medical Practice pursuant to section 147.091, subdivision 1a.

(e) This chapter does not apply to any person who has been denied a license to practice chiropractic or whose license to practice chiropractic has been revoked by the board in accordance with section 148.10, subdivision 7.

(f) This chapter does not apply to any license, registration, or permit that has been denied or revoked by the Board of Nursing in accordance with section 148.261, subdivision 1a.

(f) (g) This chapter does not supersede a requirement under law to conduct a criminal history background investigation or consider criminal history records in hiring for particular types of employment.

## ARTICLE 2

### BOARD OF PHARMACY

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.01, is amended to read:

#### 151.01 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Words, terms, and phrases.** Unless the language or context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended, the following words, terms, and phrases, for the purposes of this chapter, shall be given the meanings subjoined to them.

Subd. 2. **Pharmacy.** "Pharmacy" means an established a place of business in which prescriptions, prescription drugs, medicines, chemicals, and poisons are prepared, compounded, or dispensed, vended, or sold to or for the use of patients by or under the supervision of a pharmacist and from which related clinical pharmacy services are delivered.

Subd. 2a. **Limited service pharmacy.** "Limited service pharmacy" means a pharmacy that has been issued a restricted license by the board to perform a limited range of the activities that constitute the practice of pharmacy.

Subd. 3. **Pharmacist.** The term "pharmacist" means an individual with a currently valid license issued by the Board of Pharmacy to practice pharmacy.

Subd. 5. **Drug.** The term "drug" means all medicinal substances and preparations recognized by the United States Pharmacopoeia and National Formulary, or any revision thereof, vaccines and biologicals, and all substances and preparations intended for external and internal use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or other animals, and all substances and preparations, other than food, intended to affect the structure or any function of the bodies of humans or other animals. The term drug shall also mean any compound, substance, or derivative that is not approved for human consumption by the United States Food and Drug Administration or specifically permitted for human consumption under Minnesota law and, when introduced into the body, induces an effect similar to that of a Schedule I or Schedule II controlled substance listed in section 152.02, subdivisions 2 and 3, or Minnesota Rules, parts 6800.4210 and 6800.4220, regardless of whether the substance is marketed for the purpose of human consumption.

Subd. 6. **Medicine.** The term "medicine" means any remedial agent that has the property of curing, preventing, treating, or mitigating diseases, or that is used for that purpose.

Subd. 7. **Poisons.** The term "poisons" means any substance ~~which that~~, when introduced into the system, directly or by absorption, produces violent, morbid, or fatal ~~changes, or which that~~ destroys living tissue with which it comes in contact.

Subd. 8. **Chemical.** The term "chemical" means all medicinal or industrial substances, whether simple or compound, or obtained through the process of the science and art of chemistry, whether of organic or inorganic origin.

Subd. 9. **Board or State Board of Pharmacy.** The term "board" or "State Board of Pharmacy" means the Minnesota State Board of Pharmacy.

Subd. 10. **Director.** The term "director" means the executive director of the Minnesota State Board of Pharmacy.

Subd. 11. **Person.** The term "person" means an individual, firm, partnership, company, corporation, trustee, association, agency, or other public or private entity.

Subd. 12. **Wholesale.** The term "wholesale" means and includes any sale for the purpose of resale.

Subd. 13. **Commercial purposes.** The phrase "commercial purposes" means the ordinary purposes of trade, agriculture, industry, and commerce, exclusive of the practices of medicine ~~and~~, pharmacy, and other health care professions.

Subd. 14. **Manufacturing.** The term "manufacturing" ~~except in the case of bulk compounding, prepackaging or extemporaneous compounding within a pharmacy,~~ means and includes the production, ~~quality control and standardization by mechanical, physical, chemical, or pharmaceutical means, packing, repacking, tableting, encapsulating, labeling, relabeling, filling or by any other process,~~ of all drugs, medicines, chemicals, or poisons, ~~without exception, for medicinal purposes.~~ preparation, propagation, conversion, or processing of a drug, either directly or indirectly, by extraction from substances of natural origin or independently by means of chemical or biological synthesis. Manufacturing includes the packaging or repackaging of a drug, or the labeling or relabeling of the container of a drug, for resale by pharmacies, practitioners, or other persons. Manufacturing does not include the prepackaging, extemporaneous compounding, or anticipatory compounding of a drug within a licensed pharmacy or by a practitioner, nor the labeling of a container within a pharmacy or by a practitioner for the purpose of dispensing a drug to a patient pursuant to a valid prescription.

Subd. 14a. **Manufacturer.** The term "manufacturer" means any person engaged in manufacturing.

Subd. 14b. **Outsourcing facility.** "Outsourcing facility" means a facility that is registered by the United States Food and Drug Administration pursuant to United States Code, title 21, section 353b.

Subd. 15. **Pharmacist intern.** The term "pharmacist intern" means (1) a natural person satisfactorily progressing toward the degree in pharmacy required for licensure, or (2) a graduate of the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, or other pharmacy college approved by the board, who is registered by the State Board of Pharmacy for the purpose of obtaining practical experience as a requirement for licensure as a pharmacist, or (3) a qualified applicant awaiting examination for licensure.

Subd. 15a. **Pharmacy technician.** The term "pharmacy technician" means a person not licensed as a pharmacist or a pharmacist intern, who assists the pharmacist in the preparation and dispensing of medications by performing computer entry of prescription data and other manipulative tasks. A pharmacy technician shall not perform tasks specifically reserved to a licensed pharmacist or requiring professional judgment.

Subd. 16. **Prescription drug order.** The term "prescription drug order" means a signed lawful written order, or an, oral, or electronic order reduced to writing, given by of a practitioner licensed to prescribe drugs for patients in the course of the practitioner's practice, issued for an individual patient and containing the following: the date of issue, name and address of the patient, name and quantity of the drug prescribed, directions for use, and the name and address of the prescriber. for a drug for a specific patient. Prescription drug orders for controlled substances must be prepared in accordance with the provisions of section 152.11 and the federal Controlled Substances Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

Subd. 16a. **Prescription.** The term "prescription" means a prescription drug order that is written or printed on paper, an oral order reduced to writing by a pharmacist, or an electronic order. To be valid, a prescription must be issued for an individual patient by a practitioner within the scope and usual course of the practitioner's practice, and must contain the date of issue, name and address of the patient, name and quantity of the drug prescribed, directions for use, the name and address of the practitioner, and a telephone number at which the practitioner can be reached. A prescription written or printed on paper that is given to the patient or an agent of the patient or that is transmitted by fax must contain the practitioner's manual signature. An electronic prescription must contain the practitioner's electronic signature.

Subd. 16b. **Chart order.** The term "chart order" means a prescription drug order for a drug that is to be dispensed by a pharmacist, or by a pharmacist intern under the direct supervision of a pharmacist, and administered by an authorized person only during the patient's stay in a hospital or long-term care facility. The chart order shall contain the name of the patient, another patient identifier such as birth date or medical record number, the drug ordered, and any directions that the practitioner may prescribe concerning strength, dosage, frequency, and route of administration. The manual or electronic signature of the practitioner must be affixed to the chart order at the time it is written or at a later date in the case of verbal chart orders.

Subd. 17. **Legend drug.** "Legend drug" means a drug ~~which~~ that is required by federal law to bear the following statement, "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription." be dispensed only pursuant to the prescription of a licensed practitioner.

Subd. 18. **Label.** "Label" means a display of written, printed, or graphic matter upon the immediate container of any drug or medicine; ~~and a requirement made by or under authority of Laws 1969, chapter 933 that.~~ Any word, statement, or other information appearing required by or under the authority of this chapter to appear on the label shall not be considered to be complied with unless such word, statement, or other information also appears appear on the outside container or wrapper, if any there be, of the retail package of such drug or medicine, or is be easily legible through the outside container or wrapper.

Subd. 19. **Package.** "Package" means any container or wrapping in which any drug or medicine is enclosed for use in the delivery or display of that article to retail purchasers, but does not include:



(a) shipping containers or wrappings used solely for the transportation of any such article in bulk or in quantity to manufacturers, packers, processors, or wholesale or retail distributors;

(b) shipping containers or outer wrappings used by retailers to ship or deliver any such article to retail customers if such containers and wrappings bear no printed matter pertaining to any particular drug or medicine.

Subd. 20. **Labeling.** "Labeling" means all labels and other written, printed, or graphic matter (a) upon a drug or medicine or any of its containers or wrappers, or (b) accompanying such article.

Subd. 21. **Federal act.** "Federal act" means the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, United States Code, title 21, section 301, et seq., as amended.

Subd. 22. **Pharmacist in charge.** "Pharmacist in charge" means a duly licensed pharmacist in the state of Minnesota who has been designated in accordance with the rules of the State Board of Pharmacy to assume professional responsibility for the operation of the pharmacy in compliance with the requirements and duties as established by the board in its rules.

Subd. 23. **Practitioner.** "Practitioner" means a licensed doctor of medicine, licensed doctor of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, licensed doctor of dentistry, licensed doctor of optometry, licensed podiatrist, or licensed veterinarian. For purposes of sections 151.15, subdivision 4; 151.252, subdivision 3; 151.37, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b), (e), and (f); and 151.461, "practitioner" also means a physician assistant authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under chapter 147A, or an advanced practice nurse authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under section 148.235. For purposes of sections 151.15, subdivision 4; 151.252, subdivision 3; 151.37, subdivision 2, paragraph (b); and 151.461, "practitioner" also means a dental therapist authorized to dispense and administer under chapter 150A.

Subd. 24. **Brand name.** "Brand name" means the registered trademark name given to a drug product by its manufacturer, labeler or distributor.

Subd. 25. **Generic name.** "Generic name" means the established name or official name of a drug or drug product.

Subd. 26. **Finished dosage form.** "Finished dosage form" means that form of a drug ~~which that~~ is or is intended to be dispensed or administered to the patient and requires no further manufacturing or processing other than packaging, reconstitution, or labeling.

Subd. 27. **Practice of pharmacy.** "Practice of pharmacy" means:

- (1) interpretation and evaluation of prescription drug orders;
- (2) compounding, labeling, and dispensing drugs and devices (except labeling by a manufacturer or packager of nonprescription drugs or commercially packaged legend drugs and devices);
- (3) participation in clinical interpretations and monitoring of drug therapy for assurance of safe and effective use of drugs, including the performance of laboratory tests that are waived under the federal Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act of 1988, United States Code, title 42, section 263a et seq., provided that a pharmacist may interpret the results of laboratory tests but may modify drug therapy only pursuant to a protocol or collaborative practice agreement;
- (4) participation in drug and therapeutic device selection; drug administration for first dosage and medical emergencies; drug regimen reviews; and drug or drug-related research;

(5) participation in administration of influenza vaccines to all eligible individuals ten years of age and older and all other vaccines to patients 18 years of age and older ~~under standing orders from a physician licensed under chapter 147 or by written protocol with a physician licensed under chapter 147, a physician assistant authorized to prescribe drugs under chapter 147A, or an advanced practice nurse authorized to prescribe drugs under section 148.235, provided that:~~

(i) the protocol includes, at a minimum:

(A) the name, dose, and route of each vaccine that may be given;

(B) the patient population for whom the vaccine may be given;

(C) contraindications and precautions to the vaccine;

(D) the procedure for handling an adverse reaction;

(E) the name, signature, and address of the physician, physician assistant, or advanced nurse practitioner;

(F) a telephone number at which the physician, physician assistant, or advanced nurse practitioner can be contacted; and

(G) the date and time period for which the protocol is valid;

~~(i) (ii) the pharmacist is trained in~~ has successfully completed a program approved by the American Accreditation Council of Pharmaceutical for Pharmacy Education specifically for the administration of immunizations or graduated from a college of pharmacy in 2001 or thereafter a program approved by the board; and

~~(ii) (iii) the pharmacist reports the administration of the immunization to the patient's primary physician or clinic or to the Minnesota Immunization Information Connection; and~~

(iv) the pharmacist complies with guidelines for vaccines and immunizations established by the federal Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, except that a pharmacist does not need to comply with those portions of the guidelines that establish immunization schedules when administering a vaccine pursuant to a valid, patient-specific order issued by a physician licensed under chapter 147, a physician assistant authorized to prescribe drugs under chapter 147A, or an advanced practice nurse authorized to prescribe drugs under section 148.235, provided that the order is consistent with the United States Food and Drug Administration approved labeling of the vaccine;

(6) participation in the ~~practice of managing drug therapy and modifying initiation, management, modification, and discontinuation of drug therapy, according to section 151.21, subdivision 1, according to a written protocol or collaborative practice agreement between the specific pharmacist: (i) one or more pharmacists and the individual dentist, optometrist, physician, podiatrist, or veterinarian who is responsible for the patient's care and authorized to independently prescribe drugs one or more dentists, optometrists, physicians, podiatrists, or veterinarians; or (ii) one or more pharmacists and one or more physician assistants authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under chapter 147A, or advanced practice nurses authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under section 148.235. Any significant changes in drug therapy made pursuant to a protocol or collaborative practice agreement must be reported~~ documented by the pharmacist to

in the patient's medical record or reported by the pharmacist to a practitioner responsible for the patient's care;

(7) participation in the storage of drugs and the maintenance of records;

(8) ~~responsibility for participation in~~ patient counseling on therapeutic values, content, hazards, and uses of drugs and devices; and

(9) offering or performing those acts, services, operations, or transactions necessary in the conduct, operation, management, and control of a pharmacy.

Subd. 27a. **Protocol.** "Protocol" means:

(1) a specific written plan that describes the nature and scope of activities that a pharmacist may engage in when initiating, managing, modifying, or discontinuing drug therapy as allowed in subdivision 27, clause (6); or

(2) a specific written plan that authorizes a pharmacist to administer vaccines and that complies with subdivision 27, clause (5).

Subd. 27b. **Collaborative practice.** "Collaborative practice" means patient care activities, consistent with subdivision 27, engaged in by one or more pharmacists who have agreed to work in collaboration with one or more practitioners to initiate, manage, and modify drug therapy under specified conditions mutually agreed to by the pharmacists and practitioners.

Subd. 27c. **Collaborative practice agreement.** "Collaborative practice agreement" means a written and signed agreement between one or more pharmacists and one or more practitioners that allows the pharmacist or pharmacists to engage in collaborative practice.

Subd. 28. **Veterinary legend drug.** "Veterinary legend drug" means a drug that is required by federal law to bear the following statement: "Caution: Federal law restricts this drug to use by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian." be dispensed only pursuant to the prescription of a licensed veterinarian.

Subd. 29. **Legend medical gas.** "Legend medical gas" means a liquid or gaseous substance used for medical purposes and that is required by federal law to ~~bear the following statement:~~ "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without a prescription." be dispensed only pursuant to the prescription of a licensed practitioner.

Subd. 30. **Dispense or dispensing.** "Dispense or dispensing" means the ~~preparation or delivery of a drug pursuant to a lawful order of a practitioner in a suitable container appropriately labeled for subsequent administration to or use by a patient or other individual entitled to receive the drug;~~ interpretation, evaluation, and processing of a prescription drug order and includes those processes specified by the board in rule that are necessary for the preparation and provision of a drug to a patient or patient's agent in a suitable container appropriately labeled for subsequent administration to, or use by, a patient.

Subd. 31. **Central service pharmacy.** "Central service pharmacy" means a pharmacy that may provide dispensing functions, drug utilization review, packaging, labeling, or delivery of a prescription product to another pharmacy for the purpose of filling a prescription.

Subd. 32. **Electronic signature.** "Electronic signature" means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or associated with a record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the record.

Subd. 33. **Electronic transmission.** "Electronic transmission" means transmission of information in electronic form.

Subd. 34. **Health professional shortage area.** "Health professional shortage area" means an area designated as such by the federal Secretary of Health and Human Services, as provided under Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, part 5, and United States Code, title 42, section 254E.

Subd. 35. **Compounding.** "Compounding" means preparing, mixing, assembling, packaging, and labeling a drug for an identified individual patient as a result of a practitioner's prescription drug order. Compounding also includes anticipatory compounding, as defined in this section, and the preparation of drugs in which all bulk drug substances and components are nonprescription substances. Compounding does not include mixing or reconstituting a drug according to the product's labeling or to the manufacturer's directions. Compounding does not include the preparation of a drug for the purpose of, or incident to, research, teaching, or chemical analysis, provided that the drug is not prepared for dispensing or administration to patients. All compounding, regardless of the type of product, must be done pursuant to a prescription drug order unless otherwise permitted in this chapter or by the rules of the board.

Subd. 36. **Anticipatory compounding.** "Anticipatory compounding" means the preparation by a pharmacy of a supply of a compounded drug product that is sufficient to meet the short-term anticipated need of the pharmacy for the filling of prescription drug orders. In the case of practitioners only, anticipatory compounding means the preparation of a supply of a compounded drug product that is sufficient to meet the practitioner's short-term anticipated need for dispensing or administering the drug to patients treated by the practitioner. Anticipatory compounding is not the preparation of a compounded drug product for wholesale distribution.

Subd. 37. **Extemporaneous compounding.** "Extemporaneous compounding" means the compounding of a drug product pursuant to a prescription drug order for a specific patient that is issued in advance of the compounding. Extemporaneous compounding is not the preparation of a compounded drug product for wholesale distribution.

Subd. 38. **Compounded positron emission tomography drug.** "Compounded positron emission tomography drug" means a drug that:

(1) exhibits spontaneous disintegration of unstable nuclei by the emission of positrons and is used for the purpose of providing dual photon positron emission tomographic diagnostic images;

(2) has been compounded by or on the order of a practitioner in accordance with the relevant parts of Minnesota Rules, chapters 4731 and 6800, for a patient or for research, teaching, or quality control; and

(3) includes any nonradioactive reagent, reagent kit, ingredient, nuclide generator, accelerator, target material, electronic synthesizer, or other apparatus or computer program to be used in the preparation of such a drug.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.06, is amended to read:

**151.06 POWERS AND DUTIES.**

Subdivision 1. **Generally; rules.** (a) Powers and duties. The Board of Pharmacy shall have the power and it shall be its duty:

- (1) to regulate the practice of pharmacy;
- (2) to regulate the manufacture, wholesale, and retail sale of drugs within this state;
- (3) to regulate the identity, labeling, purity, and quality of all drugs and medicines dispensed in this state, using the United States Pharmacopeia and the National Formulary, or any revisions thereof, or standards adopted under the federal act as the standard;
- (4) to enter and inspect by its authorized representative any and all places where drugs, medicines, medical gases, or veterinary drugs or devices are sold, vended, given away, compounded, dispensed, manufactured, wholesaled, or held; it may secure samples or specimens of any drugs, medicines, medical gases, or veterinary drugs or devices after paying or offering to pay for such sample; it shall be entitled to inspect and make copies of any and all records of shipment, purchase, manufacture, quality control, and sale of these items provided, however, that such inspection shall not extend to financial data, sales data, or pricing data;
- (5) to examine and license as pharmacists all applicants whom it shall deem qualified to be such;
- (6) to license wholesale drug distributors;
- (7) to ~~deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew~~ take disciplinary action against any registration or license required under this chapter, ~~to any applicant or registrant or licensee upon any of the following grounds: listed in section 151.071, and in accordance with the provisions of section 151.071;~~
  - (i) ~~fraud or deception in connection with the securing of such license or registration;~~
  - (ii) ~~in the case of a pharmacist, conviction in any court of a felony;~~
  - (iii) ~~in the case of a pharmacist, conviction in any court of an offense involving moral turpitude;~~
  - (iv) ~~habitual indulgence in the use of narcotics, stimulants, or depressant drugs; or habitual indulgence in intoxicating liquors in a manner which could cause conduct endangering public health;~~
  - (v) ~~unprofessional conduct or conduct endangering public health;~~
  - (vi) ~~gross immorality;~~
  - (vii) ~~employing, assisting, or enabling in any manner an unlicensed person to practice pharmacy;~~
  - (viii) ~~conviction of theft of drugs, or the unauthorized use, possession, or sale thereof;~~
  - (ix) ~~violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or any of the rules of the State Board of Pharmacy;~~
  - (x) ~~in the case of a pharmacy license, operation of such pharmacy without a pharmacist present and on duty;~~

~~(xi) in the case of a pharmacist, physical or mental disability which could cause incompetency in the practice of pharmacy;~~

~~(xii) in the case of a pharmacist, the suspension or revocation of a license to practice pharmacy in another state; or~~

~~(xiii) in the case of a pharmacist, aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:~~

~~(A) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;~~

~~(B) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;~~

~~(C) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5;~~  
or

~~(D) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;~~

(8) to employ necessary assistants and adopt rules for the conduct of its business;

(9) to register as pharmacy technicians all applicants who the board determines are qualified to carry out the duties of a pharmacy technician; and

(10) to perform such other duties and exercise such other powers as the provisions of the act may require; and

(11) to enter and inspect any business to which it issues a license or registration.

~~(b) Temporary suspension. In addition to any other remedy provided by law, the board may, without a hearing, temporarily suspend a license for not more than 60 days if the board finds that a pharmacist has violated a statute or rule that the board is empowered to enforce and continued practice by the pharmacist would create an imminent risk of harm to others. The suspension shall take effect upon written notice to the pharmacist, specifying the statute or rule violated. At the time it issues the suspension notice, the board shall schedule a disciplinary hearing to be held under the Administrative Procedure Act. The pharmacist shall be provided with at least 20 days' notice of any hearing held under this subdivision.~~

~~(e) (b) Rules. For the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the board to make and publish uniform rules not inconsistent herewith for carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this chapter. The board shall adopt rules regarding prospective drug utilization review and patient counseling by pharmacists. A pharmacist in the exercise of the pharmacist's professional judgment, upon the presentation of a new prescription by a patient or the patient's caregiver or agent, shall perform the prospective drug utilization review required by rules issued under this subdivision.~~

~~(d) (c) Substitution; rules. If the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) determines that the substitution of drugs used for the treatment of epilepsy or seizures poses a health risk to patients, the board shall adopt rules in accordance with accompanying FDA interchangeability standards regarding the use of substitution for these drugs. If the board adopts a rule regarding the substitution of drugs used for the treatment of epilepsy or seizures that conflicts with the substitution requirements of section 151.21, subdivision 3, the rule shall supersede the conflicting statute. If the~~

rule proposed by the board would increase state costs for state public health care programs, the board shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate Health and Human Services Budget Division and the house of representatives Health Care and Human Services Finance Division the proposed rule and the increased cost associated with the proposed rule before the board may adopt the rule.

Subd. 1a. **Disciplinary action Cease and desist orders.** It shall be grounds for disciplinary action by the Board of Pharmacy against the registration of the pharmacy if the Board of Pharmacy determines that any person with supervisory responsibilities at the pharmacy sets policies that prevent a licensed pharmacist from providing drug utilization review and patient counseling as required by rules adopted under subdivision 1. The Board of Pharmacy shall follow the requirements of chapter 14 in any disciplinary actions taken under this section. (a) Whenever it appears to the board that a person has engaged in an act or practice constituting a violation of a law, rule, or other order related to the duties and responsibilities entrusted to the board, the board may issue and cause to be served upon the person an order requiring the person to cease and desist from violations.

(b) The cease and desist order must state the reasons for the issuance of the order and must give reasonable notice of the rights of the person to request a hearing before an administrative law judge. A hearing must be held not later than ten days after the request for the hearing is received by the board. After the completion of the hearing, the administrative law judge shall issue a report within ten days. Within 15 days after receiving the report of the administrative law judge, the board shall issue a further order vacating or making permanent the cease and desist order. The time periods provided in this provision may be waived by agreement of the executive director of the board and the person against whom the cease and desist order was issued. If the person to whom a cease and desist order is issued fails to appear at the hearing after being duly notified, the person is in default, and the proceeding may be determined against that person upon consideration of the cease and desist order, the allegations of which may be considered to be true. Unless otherwise provided, all hearings must be conducted according to chapter 14. The board may adopt rules of procedure concerning all proceedings conducted under this subdivision.

(c) If no hearing is requested within 30 days of service of the order, the cease and desist order will become permanent.

(d) A cease and desist order issued under this subdivision remains in effect until it is modified or vacated by the board. The administrative proceeding provided by this subdivision, and subsequent appellate judicial review of that administrative proceeding, constitutes the exclusive remedy for determining whether the board properly issued the cease and desist order and whether the cease and desist order should be vacated or made permanent.

Subd. 1b. **Enforcement of violations of cease and desist orders.** (a) Whenever the board under subdivision 1a seeks to enforce compliance with a cease and desist order that has been made permanent, the allegations of the cease and desist order are considered conclusively established for purposes of proceeding under subdivision 1a for permanent or temporary relief to enforce the cease and desist order. Whenever the board under subdivision 1a seeks to enforce compliance with a cease and desist order when a hearing or hearing request on the cease and desist order is pending, or the time has not yet expired to request a hearing on whether a cease and desist order should be vacated or made permanent, the allegations in the cease and desist order are considered

conclusively established for the purposes of proceeding under subdivision 1a for temporary relief to enforce the cease and desist order.

(b) Notwithstanding this subdivision or subdivision 1a, the person against whom the cease and desist order is issued and who has requested a hearing under subdivision 1a may, within 15 days after service of the cease and desist order, bring an action in Ramsey County District Court for issuance of an injunction to suspend enforcement of the cease and desist order pending a final decision of the board under subdivision 1a to vacate or make permanent the cease and desist order. The court shall determine whether to issue such an injunction based on traditional principles of temporary relief.

Subd. 2. **Application.** In the case of a facility licensed or registered by the board, the provisions of subdivision 1 shall apply to an individual owner or sole proprietor and shall also apply to the following:

- (1) In the case of a partnership, each partner thereof;
- (2) In the case of an association, each member thereof;
- (3) In the case of a corporation, each officer or director thereof and each shareholder owning 30 percent or more of the voting stock of such corporation.

~~Subd. 3. **Application of Administrative Procedure Act.** The board shall comply with the provisions of chapter 14, before it fails to issue, renew, suspends, or revokes any license or registration issued under this chapter.~~

Subd. 4. **Reinstatement.** Any license or registration which has been suspended or revoked may be reinstated by the board provided the holder thereof shall pay all costs of the proceedings resulting in the suspension or revocation, and, in addition thereto, pay a fee set by the board.

Subd. 5. **Costs; penalties.** The board may impose a civil penalty not exceeding \$10,000 for each separate violation, the amount of the civil penalty to be fixed so as to deprive a licensee or registrant of any economic advantage gained by reason of the violation, to discourage similar violations by the licensee or registrant or any other licensee or registrant, or to reimburse the board for the cost of the investigation and proceeding, including, but not limited to, fees paid for services provided by the Office of Administrative Hearings, legal and investigative services provided by the Office of the Attorney General, court reporters, witnesses, reproduction of records, board members' per diem compensation, board staff time, and travel costs and expenses incurred by board staff and board members.

### Sec. 3. [151.071] DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

Subdivision 1. **Forms of disciplinary action.** When the board finds that a licensee, registrant, or applicant has engaged in conduct prohibited under subdivision 2, it may do one or more of the following:

- (1) deny the issuance of a license or registration;
- (2) refuse to renew a license or registration;
- (3) revoke the license or registration;
- (4) suspend the license or registration;



(5) impose limitations, conditions, or both on the license or registration, including but not limited to: the limitation of practice designated settings; the imposition of retraining or rehabilitation requirements; the requirement of practice under supervision; the requirement of participation in a diversion program such as that established pursuant to section 214.31 or the conditioning of continued practice on demonstration of knowledge or skills by appropriate examination or other review of skill and competence;

(6) impose a civil penalty not exceeding \$10,000 for each separate violation, the amount of the civil penalty to be fixed so as to deprive a licensee or registrant of any economic advantage gained by reason of the violation, to discourage similar violations by the licensee or registrant or any other licensee or registrant, or to reimburse the board for the cost of the investigation and proceeding, including but not limited to, fees paid for services provided by the Office of Administrative Hearings, legal and investigative services provided by the Office of the Attorney General, court reporters, witnesses, reproduction of records, board members' per diem compensation, board staff time, and travel costs and expenses incurred by board staff and board members; and

(7) reprimand the licensee or registrant.

Subd. 2. **Grounds for disciplinary action.** The following conduct is prohibited and is grounds for disciplinary action:

(1) failure to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfy the requirements for a license or registration contained in this chapter or the rules of the board. The burden of proof is on the applicant to demonstrate such qualifications or satisfaction of such requirements;

(2) obtaining a license by fraud or by misleading the board in any way during the application process or obtaining a license by cheating, or attempting to subvert the licensing examination process. Conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the licensing examination process includes, but is not limited to: (i) conduct that violates the security of the examination materials, such as removing examination materials from the examination room or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination; (ii) conduct that violates the standard of test administration, such as communicating with another examinee during administration of the examination, copying another examinee's answers, permitting another examinee to copy one's answers, or possessing unauthorized materials; or (iii) impersonating an examinee or permitting an impersonator to take the examination on one's own behalf;

(3) for a pharmacist, pharmacy technician, pharmacist intern, applicant for a pharmacist or pharmacy license, or applicant for a pharmacy technician or pharmacist intern registration, conviction of a felony reasonably related to the practice of pharmacy. Conviction as used in this subdivision includes a conviction of an offense that if committed in this state would be deemed a felony without regard to its designation elsewhere, or a criminal proceeding where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or not entered thereon. The board may delay the issuance of a new license or registration if the applicant has been charged with a felony until the matter has been adjudicated;

(4) for a facility, other than a pharmacy, licensed or registered by the board, if an owner or applicant is convicted of a felony reasonably related to the operation of the facility. The board may delay the issuance of a new license or registration if the owner or applicant has been charged with a felony until the matter has been adjudicated;

(5) for a controlled substance researcher, conviction of a felony reasonably related to controlled substances or to the practice of the researcher's profession. The board may delay the issuance of a registration if the applicant has been charged with a felony until the matter has been adjudicated;

(6) disciplinary action taken by another state or by one of this state's health licensing agencies:

(i) revocation, suspension, restriction, limitation, or other disciplinary action against a license or registration in another state or jurisdiction, failure to report to the board that charges or allegations regarding the person's license or registration have been brought in another state or jurisdiction, or having been refused a license or registration by any other state or jurisdiction. The board may delay the issuance of a new license or registration if an investigation or disciplinary action is pending in another state or jurisdiction until the investigation or action has been dismissed or otherwise resolved; and

(ii) revocation, suspension, restriction, limitation, or other disciplinary action against a license or registration issued by another of this state's health licensing agencies, failure to report to the board that charges regarding the person's license or registration have been brought by another of this state's health licensing agencies, or having been refused a license or registration by another of this state's health licensing agencies. The board may delay the issuance of a new license or registration if a disciplinary action is pending before another of this state's health licensing agencies until the action has been dismissed or otherwise resolved;

(7) for a pharmacist, pharmacy, pharmacy technician, or pharmacist intern, violation of any order of the board, of any of the provisions of this chapter or any rules of the board or violation of any federal, state, or local law or rule reasonably pertaining to the practice of pharmacy;

(8) for a facility, other than a pharmacy, licensed by the board, violations of any order of the board, of any of the provisions of this chapter or the rules of the board or violation of any federal, state, or local law relating to the operation of the facility;

(9) engaging in any unethical conduct; conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, or demonstrating a willful or careless disregard for the health, welfare, or safety of a patient; or pharmacy practice that is professionally incompetent, in that it may create unnecessary danger to any patient's life, health, or safety, in any of which cases, proof of actual injury need not be established;

(10) aiding or abetting an unlicensed person in the practice of pharmacy, except that it is not a violation of this clause for a pharmacist to supervise a properly registered pharmacy technician or pharmacist intern if that person is performing duties allowed by this chapter or the rules of the board;

(11) for an individual licensed or registered by the board, adjudication as mentally ill or developmentally disabled, or as a chemically dependent person, a person dangerous to the public, a sexually dangerous person, or a person who has a sexual psychopathic personality, by a court of competent jurisdiction, within or without this state. Such adjudication shall automatically suspend a license for the duration thereof unless the board orders otherwise;

(12) for a pharmacist or pharmacy intern, engaging in unprofessional conduct as specified in the board's rules. In the case of a pharmacy technician, engaging in conduct specified in board rules that would be unprofessional if it were engaged in by a pharmacist or pharmacist intern or performing duties specifically reserved for pharmacists under this chapter or the rules of the board;

(13) for a pharmacy, operation of the pharmacy without a pharmacist present and on duty except as allowed by a variance approved by the board;

(14) for a pharmacist, the inability to practice pharmacy with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, use of drugs, narcotics, chemicals, or any other type of material or as a result of any mental or physical condition, including deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills. In the case of registered pharmacy technicians, pharmacist interns, or controlled substance researchers, the inability to carry out duties allowed under this chapter or the rules of the board with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, use of drugs, narcotics, chemicals, or any other type of material or as a result of any mental or physical condition, including deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills;

(15) for a pharmacist, pharmacy, pharmacist intern, pharmacy technician, medical gas distributor, or controlled substance researcher, revealing a privileged communication from or relating to a patient except when otherwise required or permitted by law;

(16) for a pharmacist or pharmacy, improper management of patient records, including failure to maintain adequate patient records, to comply with a patient's request made pursuant to sections 144.291 to 144.298, or to furnish a patient record or report required by law;

(17) paying, offering to pay, receiving, or agreeing to receive, a commission, rebate, kickback, or other form of remuneration, directly or indirectly, for the referral of patients or the dispensing of drugs or devices;

(18) engaging in abusive or fraudulent billing practices, including violations of the federal Medicare and Medicaid laws or state medical assistance laws or rules;

(19) engaging in conduct with a patient that is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual, or in any verbal behavior that is seductive or sexually demeaning to a patient;

(20) failure to make reports as required by section 151.072 or to cooperate with an investigation of the board as required by section 151.074;

(21) knowingly providing false or misleading information that is directly related to the care of a patient unless done for an accepted therapeutic purpose such as the dispensing and administration of a placebo;

(22) aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:

(i) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;

(ii) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;

(iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or

(iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;

(23) for a pharmacist, practice of pharmacy under a lapsed or nonrenewed license. For a pharmacist intern, pharmacy technician, or controlled substance researcher, performing duties permitted to such individuals by this chapter or the rules of the board under a lapsed or nonrenewed registration. For a facility required to be licensed under this chapter, operation of the facility under a lapsed or nonrenewed license or registration; and

(24) for a pharmacist, pharmacist intern, or pharmacy technician, termination or discharge from the health professional services program for reasons other than the satisfactory completion of the program.

Subd. 3. **Automatic suspension.** (a) A license or registration issued under this chapter to a pharmacist, pharmacist intern, pharmacy technician, or controlled substance researcher is automatically suspended if: (1) a guardian of a licensee or registrant is appointed by order of a court pursuant to sections 524.5-101 to 524.5-502, for reasons other than the minority of the licensee or registrant; or (2) the licensee or registrant is committed by order of a court pursuant to chapter 253B. The license or registration remains suspended until the licensee is restored to capacity by a court and, upon petition by the licensee or registrant, the suspension is terminated by the board after a hearing.

(b) For a pharmacist, pharmacy intern, or pharmacy technician, upon notice to the board of a judgment of, or a plea of guilty to, a felony reasonably related to the practice of pharmacy, the license or registration of the regulated person may be automatically suspended by the board. The license or registration will remain suspended until, upon petition by the regulated individual and after a hearing, the suspension is terminated by the board. The board may indefinitely suspend or revoke the license or registration of the regulated individual if, after a hearing before the board, the board finds that the felonious conduct would cause a serious risk of harm to the public.

(c) For a facility that is licensed or registered by the board, upon notice to the board that an owner of the facility is subject to a judgment of, or a plea of guilty to, a felony reasonably related to the operation of the facility, the license or registration of the facility may be automatically suspended by the board. The license or registration will remain suspended until, upon petition by the facility and after a hearing, the suspension is terminated by the board. The board may indefinitely suspend or revoke the license or registration of the facility if, after a hearing before the board, the board finds that the felonious conduct would cause a serious risk of harm to the public.

(d) For licenses and registrations that have been suspended or revoked pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b), the regulated individual may have a license or registration reinstated, either with or without restrictions, by demonstrating clear and convincing evidence of rehabilitation, as provided in section 364.03. If the regulated individual has the conviction subsequently overturned by court decision, the board shall conduct a hearing to review the suspension within 30 days after the receipt of the court decision. The regulated individual is not required to prove rehabilitation if the subsequent court decision overturns previous court findings of public risk.

(e) For licenses and registrations that have been suspended or revoked pursuant to paragraph (c), the regulated facility may have a license or registration reinstated, either with or without restrictions, conditions, or limitations, by demonstrating clear and convincing evidence of rehabilitation of the convicted owner, as provided in section 364.03. If the convicted owner has the conviction subsequently overturned by court decision, the board shall conduct a hearing to review the suspension within 30 days after receipt of the court decision. The regulated facility is not

required to prove rehabilitation of the convicted owner if the subsequent court decision overturns previous court findings of public risk.

(f) The board may, upon majority vote of a quorum of its appointed members, suspend the license or registration of a regulated individual without a hearing if the regulated individual fails to maintain a current name and address with the board, as described in paragraphs (h) and (i), while the regulated individual is: (1) under board investigation, and a notice of conference has been issued by the board; (2) party to a contested case with the board; (3) party to an agreement for corrective action with the board; or (4) under a board order for disciplinary action. The suspension shall remain in effect until lifted by the board to the board's receipt of a petition from the regulated individual, along with the current name and address of the regulated individual.

(g) The board may, upon majority vote of a quorum of its appointed members, suspend the license or registration of a regulated facility without a hearing if the regulated facility fails to maintain a current name and address of the owner of the facility with the board, as described in paragraphs (h) and (i), while the regulated facility is: (1) under board investigation, and a notice of conference has been issued by the board; (2) party to a contested case with the board; (3) party to an agreement for corrective action with the board; or (4) under a board order for disciplinary action. The suspension shall remain in effect until lifted by the board pursuant to the board's receipt of a petition from the regulated facility, along with the current name and address of the owner of the facility.

(h) An individual licensed or registered by the board shall maintain a current name and home address with the board and shall notify the board in writing within 30 days of any change in name or home address. An individual regulated by the board shall also maintain a current business address with the board as required by section 214.073. For an individual, if a name change only is requested, the regulated individual must request a revised license or registration. The board may require the individual to substantiate the name change by submitting official documentation from a court of law or agency authorized under law to receive and officially record a name change. In the case of an individual, if an address change only is requested, no request for a revised license or registration is required. If the current license or registration of an individual has been lost, stolen, or destroyed, the individual shall provide a written explanation to the board.

(i) A facility licensed or registered by the board shall maintain a current name and address with the board. A facility shall notify the board in writing within 30 days of any change in name. A facility licensed or registered by the board but located outside of the state must notify the board within 30 days of an address change. A facility licensed or registered by the board and located within the state must notify the board at least 60 days in advance of a change of address that will result from the move of the facility to a different location and must pass an inspection at the new location as required by the board. If the current license or registration of a facility has been lost, stolen, or destroyed, the facility shall provide a written explanation to the board.

Subd. 4. **Effective dates.** A suspension, revocation, condition, limitation, qualification, or restriction of a license or registration shall be in effect pending determination of an appeal. A revocation of a license pursuant to subdivision 1 is not appealable and shall remain in effect indefinitely.

Subd. 5. **Conditions on reissued license.** In its discretion, the board may restore and reissue a license or registration issued under this chapter, but as a condition thereof may impose any disciplinary or corrective measure that it might originally have imposed.

Subd. 6. **Temporary suspension of license for pharmacists.** In addition to any other remedy provided by law, the board may, without a hearing, temporarily suspend the license of a pharmacist if the board finds that the pharmacist has violated a statute or rule that the board is empowered to enforce and continued practice by the pharmacist would create a serious risk of harm to the public. The suspension shall take effect upon written notice to the pharmacist, specifying the statute or rule violated. The suspension shall remain in effect until the board issues a final order in the matter after a hearing. At the time it issues the suspension notice, the board shall schedule a disciplinary hearing to be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act. The pharmacist shall be provided with at least 20 days' notice of any hearing held pursuant to this subdivision. The hearing shall be scheduled to begin no later than 30 days after the issuance of the suspension order.

Subd. 7. **Temporary suspension of license for pharmacist interns, pharmacy technicians, and controlled substance researchers.** In addition to any other remedy provided by law, the board may, without a hearing, temporarily suspend the registration of a pharmacist intern, pharmacy technician, or controlled substance researcher if the board finds that the registrant has violated a statute or rule that the board is empowered to enforce and continued registration of the registrant would create a serious risk of harm to the public. The suspension shall take effect upon written notice to the registrant, specifying the statute or rule violated. The suspension shall remain in effect until the board issues a final order in the matter after a hearing. At the time it issues the suspension notice, the board shall schedule a disciplinary hearing to be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act. The licensee or registrant shall be provided with at least 20 days' notice of any hearing held pursuant to this subdivision. The hearing shall be scheduled to begin no later than 30 days after the issuance of the suspension order.

Subd. 8. **Temporary suspension of license for pharmacies, drug wholesalers, drug manufacturers, medical gas manufacturers, and medical gas distributors.** In addition to any other remedy provided by law, the board may, without a hearing, temporarily suspend the license or registration of a pharmacy, drug wholesaler, drug manufacturer, medical gas manufacturer, or medical gas distributor if the board finds that the licensee or registrant has violated a statute or rule that the board is empowered to enforce and continued operation of the licensed facility would create a serious risk of harm to the public. The suspension shall take effect upon written notice to the licensee or registrant, specifying the statute or rule violated. The suspension shall remain in effect until the board issues a final order in the matter after a hearing. At the time it issues the suspension notice, the board shall schedule a disciplinary hearing to be held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act. The licensee or registrant shall be provided with at least 20 days' notice of any hearing held pursuant to this subdivision. The hearing shall be scheduled to begin no later than 30 days after the issuance of the suspension order.

Subd. 9. **Evidence.** In disciplinary actions alleging a violation of subdivision 2, clause (4), (5), (6), or (7), a copy of the judgment or proceeding under the seal of the court administrator or of the administrative agency that entered the same shall be admissible into evidence without further authentication and shall constitute prima facie evidence of the contents thereof.

Subd. 10. **Mental examination; access to medical data.** (a) If the board has probable cause to believe that an individual licensed or registered by the board falls under subdivision 2, clause (14), it may direct the individual to submit to a mental or physical examination. For the purpose of this subdivision, every licensed or registered individual is deemed to have consented to submit to a mental or physical examination when directed in writing by the board and further to have waived all objections to the admissibility of the examining practitioner's testimony or examination

reports on the grounds that the same constitute a privileged communication. Failure of a licensed or registered individual to submit to an examination when directed constitutes an admission of the allegations against the individual, unless the failure was due to circumstances beyond the individual's control, in which case a default and final order may be entered without the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence. Pharmacists affected under this paragraph shall at reasonable intervals be given an opportunity to demonstrate that they can resume the competent practice of the profession of pharmacy with reasonable skill and safety to the public. Pharmacist interns, pharmacy technicians, or controlled substance researchers affected under this paragraph shall at reasonable intervals be given an opportunity to demonstrate that they can competently resume the duties that can be performed, under this chapter or the rules of the board, by similarly registered persons with reasonable skill and safety to the public. In any proceeding under this paragraph, neither the record of proceedings nor the orders entered by the board shall be used against a licensed or registered individual in any other proceeding.

(b) In addition to ordering a physical or mental examination, the board may, notwithstanding section 13.384, 144.651, or any other law limiting access to medical or other health data, obtain medical data and health records relating to an individual licensed or registered by the board, or to an applicant for licensure or registration, without the individual's consent, if the board has probable cause to believe that the individual falls under subdivision 2, clause (14). The medical data may be requested from a provider, as defined in section 144.291, subdivision 2, paragraph (h), an insurance company, or a government agency, including the Department of Human Services. A provider, insurance company, or government agency shall comply with any written request of the board under this subdivision and is not liable in any action for damages for releasing the data requested by the board if the data are released pursuant to a written request under this subdivision, unless the information is false and the provider giving the information knew, or had reason to believe, the information was false. Information obtained under this subdivision is classified as private under sections 13.01 to 13.87.

**Subd. 11. Tax clearance certificate.** (a) In addition to the provisions of subdivision 1, the board may not issue or renew a license or registration if the commissioner of revenue notifies the board and the licensee or applicant for a license that the licensee or applicant owes the state delinquent taxes in the amount of \$500 or more. The board may issue or renew the license or registration only if (1) the commissioner of revenue issues a tax clearance certificate, and (2) the commissioner of revenue or the licensee, registrant, or applicant forwards a copy of the clearance to the board. The commissioner of revenue may issue a clearance certificate only if the licensee, registrant, or applicant does not owe the state any uncontested delinquent taxes.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given.

(1) "Taxes" are all taxes payable to the commissioner of revenue, including penalties and interest due on those taxes.

(2) "Delinquent taxes" do not include a tax liability if (i) an administrative or court action that contests the amount or validity of the liability has been filed or served, (ii) the appeal period to contest the tax liability has not expired, or (iii) the licensee or applicant has entered into a payment agreement to pay the liability and is current with the payments.

(c) In lieu of the notice and hearing requirements of subdivision 1, when a licensee, registrant, or applicant is required to obtain a clearance certificate under this subdivision, a contested case hearing must be held if the licensee or applicant requests a hearing in writing to the commissioner of revenue

within 30 days of the date of the notice provided in paragraph (a). The hearing must be held within 45 days of the date the commissioner of revenue refers the case to the Office of Administrative Hearings. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the licensee or applicant must be served with 20 days' notice in writing specifying the time and place of the hearing and the allegations against the licensee or applicant. The notice may be served personally or by mail.

(d) A licensee or applicant must provide the licensee's or applicant's Social Security number and Minnesota business identification number on all license applications. Upon request of the commissioner of revenue, the board must provide to the commissioner of revenue a list of all licensees and applicants that includes the licensee's or applicant's name, address, Social Security number, and business identification number. The commissioner of revenue may request a list of the licensees and applicants no more than once each calendar year.

Subd. 12. **Limitation.** No board proceeding against a regulated person or facility shall be instituted unless commenced within seven years from the date of the commission of some portion of the offense or misconduct complained of except for alleged violations of subdivision 2, clause (21).

#### Sec. 4. [151.072] REPORTING OBLIGATIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Permission to report.** A person who has knowledge of any conduct constituting grounds for discipline under the provisions of this chapter or the rules of the board may report the violation to the board.

Subd. 2. **Pharmacies.** A pharmacy located in this state must report to the board any discipline that is related to an incident involving conduct that would constitute grounds for discipline under the provisions of this chapter or the rules of the board, that is taken by the pharmacy or any of its administrators against a pharmacist, pharmacist intern, or pharmacy technician, including the termination of employment of the individual or the revocation, suspension, restriction, limitation, or conditioning of an individual's ability to practice or work at or on behalf of the pharmacy. The pharmacy shall also report the resignation of any pharmacist, pharmacist intern, or technician prior to the conclusion of any disciplinary proceeding, or prior to the commencement of formal charges but after the individual had knowledge that formal charges were contemplated or in preparation. Each report made under this subdivision must state the nature of the action taken and state in detail the reasons for the action. Failure to report violations as required by this subdivision is a basis for discipline pursuant to section 151.071, subdivision 2, clause (8).

Subd. 3. **Licensees and registrants of the board.** A licensee or registrant of the board shall report to the board personal knowledge of any conduct that the person reasonably believes constitutes grounds for disciplinary action under this chapter or the rules of the board by any pharmacist, pharmacist intern, pharmacy technician, or controlled substance researcher, including any conduct indicating that the person may be professionally incompetent, or may have engaged in unprofessional conduct or may be medically or physically unable to engage safely in the practice of pharmacy or to carry out the duties permitted to the person by this chapter or the rules of the board. Failure to report violations as required by this subdivision is a basis for discipline pursuant to section 151.071, subdivision 2, clause (20).

Subd. 4. **Courts.** The court administrator of a district court or any other court of competent jurisdiction shall report to the board any judgment or other determination of the court that: adjudges or includes a finding that a licensee or registrant of the board is mentally ill, mentally incompetent,



guilty of a felony, or guilty of a violation of federal or state narcotics laws or controlled substances act, guilty of an abuse or fraud under Medicare or Medicaid; appoints a guardian of the licensee or registrant pursuant to sections 524.5-101 to 524.5-502; or commits a licensee or registrant pursuant to chapter 253B.

Subd. 5. **Self-reporting.** A licensee or registrant of the board shall report to the board any personal action that would require that a report be filed with the board pursuant to subdivision 2 or 4.

Subd. 6. **Deadlines; forms.** Reports required by subdivisions 2 to 5 must be submitted not later than 30 days after the occurrence of the reportable event or transaction. The board may provide forms for the submission of reports required by this section, may require that reports be submitted on the forms provided, and may adopt rules necessary to assure prompt and accurate reporting.

Subd. 7. **Subpoenas.** The board may issue subpoenas for the production of any reports required by subdivisions 2 to 5 or any related documents.

Sec. 5. **[151.073] IMMUNITY.**

Subdivision 1. **Reporting.** Any person, health care facility, business, or organization is immune from civil liability or criminal prosecution for submitting in good faith a report to the board under section 151.072 or for otherwise reporting in good faith to the board violations or alleged violations of this chapter or the rules of the board. All such reports are investigative data as defined in chapter 13.

Subd. 2. **Investigation.** (a) Members of the board and persons employed by the board or engaged on behalf of the board in the investigation of violations and in the preparation and management of charges or violations of this chapter of the rules of the board, or persons participating in the investigation or testifying regarding charges of violations, are immune from civil liability and criminal prosecution for any actions, transactions, or publications in the execution of, or relating to, their duties under this chapter or the rules of the board.

(b) Members of the board and persons employed by the board or engaged in maintaining records and making reports regarding adverse health care events are immune from civil liability and criminal prosecution for any actions, transactions, or publications in the execution of, or relating to, their duties under section 151.301.

Sec. 6. **[151.074] LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT COOPERATION.**

An individual who is licensed or registered by the board, who is the subject of an investigation by or on behalf of the board, shall cooperate fully with the investigation. An owner or employee of a facility that is licensed or registered by the board, when the facility is the subject of an investigation by or on behalf of the board, shall cooperate fully with the investigation. Cooperation includes responding fully and promptly to any question raised by, or on behalf of, the board relating to the subject of the investigation and providing copies of patient pharmacy records and other relevant records, as reasonably requested by the board, to assist the board in its investigation. The board shall maintain any records obtained pursuant to this section as investigative data pursuant to chapter 13.

Sec. 7. **[151.075] DISCIPLINARY RECORD ON JUDICIAL REVIEW.**

Upon judicial review of any board disciplinary action taken under this chapter, the reviewing court shall seal the administrative record, except for the board's final decision, and shall not make the administrative record available to the public.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.211, is amended to read:

**151.211 RECORDS OF PRESCRIPTIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Retention of prescription drug orders.** All prescriptions dispensed prescription drug orders shall be kept on file at the location in from which such dispensing occurred of the ordered drug occurs for a period of at least two years. Prescription drug orders that are electronically prescribed must be kept on file in the format in which they were originally received. Written or printed prescription drug orders and verbal prescription drug orders reduced to writing, must be kept on file as received or transcribed, except that such orders may be kept in an electronic format as allowed by the board. Electronic systems used to process and store prescription drug orders must be compliant with the requirements of this chapter and the rules of the board. Prescription drug orders that are stored in an electronic format, as permitted by this subdivision, may be kept on file at a remote location provided that they are readily and securely accessible from the location at which dispensing of the ordered drug occurred.

Subd. 2. **Refill requirements.** No A prescription shall drug order may be refilled except only with the written, electronic, or verbal consent of the prescriber and in accordance with the requirements of this chapter, the rules of the board, and where applicable, section 152.11. The date of such refill must be recorded and initialed upon the original prescription drug order, or within the electronically maintained record of the original prescription drug order, by the pharmacist, pharmacist intern, or practitioner who refills the prescription.

Sec. 9. **[151.251] COMPOUNDING.**

Subdivision 1. **Exemption from manufacturing licensure requirement.** Section 151.252 shall not apply to:

(1) a practitioner engaged in extemporaneous compounding, anticipatory compounding, or compounding not done pursuant to a prescription drug order when permitted by this chapter or the rules of the board; and

(2) a pharmacy in which a pharmacist is engaged in extemporaneous compounding, anticipatory compounding, or compounding not done pursuant to a prescription drug order when permitted by this chapter or the rules of the board.

Subd. 2. **Compounded drug.** A drug product may be compounded under this section if a pharmacist or practitioner:

(a) compounds the drug product using bulk drug substances, as defined in the federal regulations published in Code of Federal Regulations, title 21, section 207.3(a)(4):

(1) that:

(i) comply with the standards of an applicable United States Pharmacopoeia or National Formulary monograph, if a monograph exists, and the United States Pharmacopoeia chapter on pharmacy compounding;

(ii) if such a monograph does not exist, are drug substances that are components of drugs approved for use in this country by the United States Food and Drug Administration; or

(iii) if such a monograph does not exist and the drug substance is not a component of a drug approved for use in this country by the United States Food and Drug Administration, that appear on a list developed by the United States Food and Drug Administration through regulations issued by the secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to section 503a of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act under paragraph (d);

(2) that are manufactured by an establishment that is registered under section 360 of the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, including a foreign establishment that is registered under section 360(i) of that act; and

(3) that are accompanied by valid certificates of analysis for each bulk drug substance;

(b) compounds the drug product using ingredients, other than bulk drug substances, that comply with the standards of an applicable United States Pharmacopoeia or National Formulary monograph, if a monograph exists, and the United States Pharmacopoeia chapters on pharmacy compounding;

(c) does not compound a drug product that appears on a list published by the secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services in the Federal Register of drug products that have been withdrawn or removed from the market because such drug products or components of such drug products have been found to be unsafe or not effective;

(d) does not compound any drug products that are essentially copies of a commercially available drug product; and

(e) does not compound any drug product that has been identified pursuant to United States Code, title 21, section 353a, as a drug product that presents demonstrable difficulties for compounding that reasonably demonstrate an adverse effect on the safety or effectiveness of that drug product.

The term "essentially a copy of a commercially available drug product" does not include a drug product in which there is a change, made for an identified individual patient, that produces for that patient a significant difference, as determined by the prescribing practitioner, between the compounded drug and the comparable commercially available drug product.

Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** This section shall not apply to:

(1) compounded positron emission tomography drugs as defined in section 151.01, subdivision 38; or

(2) radiopharmaceuticals.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 151.252, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. **Outsourcing facility.** (a) No person shall act as an outsourcing facility without first obtaining a license from the board and paying any applicable manufacturer licensing fee specified in section 151.065.

(b) Application for an outsourcing facility license under this section shall be made in a manner specified by the board and may differ from the application required of other drug manufacturers.

(c) No license shall be issued or renewed for an outsourcing facility unless the applicant agrees to operate in a manner prescribed for outsourcing facilities by federal and state law and according to Minnesota Rules.

(d) No license shall be issued or renewed for an outsourcing facility unless the applicant supplies the board with proof of such registration by the United States Food and Drug Administration as required by United States Code, title 21, section 353b.

(e) No license shall be issued or renewed for an outsourcing facility that is required to be licensed or registered by the state in which it is physically located unless the applicant supplies the board with proof of such licensure or registration. The board may establish, by rule, standards for the licensure of an outsourcing facility that is not required to be licensed or registered by the state in which it is physically located.

(f) The board shall require a separate license for each outsourcing facility located within the state and for each outsourcing facility located outside of the state at which drugs that are shipped into the state are prepared.

(g) The board shall not issue an initial or renewed license for an outsourcing facility unless the facility passes an inspection conducted by an authorized representative of the board. In the case of an outsourcing facility located outside of the state, the board may require the applicant to pay the cost of the inspection, in addition to the license fee in section 151.065, unless the applicant furnishes the board with a report, issued by the appropriate regulatory agency of the state in which the facility is located or by the United States Food and Drug Administration, of an inspection that has occurred within the 24 months immediately preceding receipt of the license application by the board. The board may deny licensure unless the applicant submits documentation satisfactory to the board that any deficiencies noted in an inspection report have been corrected.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.26, is amended to read:

#### **151.26 EXCEPTIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Generally.** Nothing in this chapter shall subject a person duly licensed in this state to practice medicine, dentistry, or veterinary medicine, to inspection by the State Board of Pharmacy, nor prevent the person from administering drugs, medicines, chemicals, or poisons in the person's practice, nor prevent a duly licensed practitioner from furnishing to a patient properly packaged and labeled drugs, medicines, chemicals, or poisons as may be considered appropriate in the treatment of such patient; unless the person is engaged in the dispensing, sale, or distribution of drugs and the board provides reasonable notice of an inspection.

Except for the provisions of section 151.37, nothing in this chapter applies to or interferes with the dispensing, in its original package and at no charge to the patient, of a legend drug, ~~other than a controlled substance~~; that was packaged by a manufacturer and provided to the dispenser for ~~distribution~~ dispensing as a professional sample, so long as the sample is prepared and distributed pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, title 21, section 203, subpart D.

Nothing in this chapter shall prevent the sale of drugs, medicines, chemicals, or poisons at wholesale to licensed physicians, dentists and veterinarians for use in their practice, nor to hospitals for use therein.

Nothing in this chapter shall prevent the sale of drugs, chemicals, or poisons either at wholesale or retail for use for commercial purposes, or in the arts, nor interfere with the sale of insecticides, as defined in Minnesota Statutes 1974, section 24.069, and nothing in this chapter shall prevent the sale of common household preparations and other drugs, chemicals, and poisons sold exclusively for use for nonmedicinal purposes; provided that this exception does not apply to any compound, substance, or derivative that is not approved for human consumption by the United States Food and Drug Administration or specifically permitted for human consumption under Minnesota law and, when introduced into the body, induces an effect similar to that of a Schedule I or Schedule II controlled substance listed in section 152.02, subdivisions 2 and 3, or Minnesota Rules, parts 6800.4210 and 6800.4220, regardless of whether the substance is marketed for the purpose of human consumption.

Nothing in this chapter shall apply to or interfere with the vending or retailing of any nonprescription medicine or drug not otherwise prohibited by statute ~~which~~ that is prepackaged, fully prepared by the manufacturer or producer for use by the consumer, and labeled in accordance with the requirements of the state or federal Food and Drug Act; nor to the manufacture, wholesaling, vending, or retailing of flavoring extracts, toilet articles, cosmetics, perfumes, spices, and other commonly used household articles of a chemical nature, for use for nonmedicinal purposes; provided that this exception does not apply to any compound, substance, or derivative that is not approved for human consumption by the United States Food and Drug Administration or specifically permitted for human consumption under Minnesota law that, when introduced into the body, induces an effect similar to that of a Schedule I or Schedule II controlled substance listed in section 152.02, subdivisions 2 and 3, or Minnesota Rules, parts 6800.4210 and 6800.4220, regardless of whether the substance is marketed for the purpose of human consumption. Nothing in this chapter shall prevent the sale of drugs or medicines by licensed pharmacists at a discount to persons over 65 years of age.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.34, is amended to read:

**151.34 PROHIBITED ACTS.**

It shall be unlawful to:

- (1) manufacture, sell or deliver, hold or offer for sale any drug that is adulterated or misbranded;
- (2) adulterate or misbrand any drug;
- (3) receive in commerce any drug that is adulterated or misbranded, and to deliver or proffer delivery thereof for pay or otherwise;
- (4) refuse to permit entry or inspection, or to permit the taking of a sample, or to permit access to or copying of any record as authorized by this chapter;
- (5) remove or dispose of a detained or embargoed article in violation of this chapter;
- (6) alter, mutilate, destroy, obliterate, or remove the whole or any part of the labeling of, or to do any other act with respect to a drug, if such act is done while such drug is held for sale and results in such drug being adulterated or misbranded;
- (7) use for a person's own advantage or to reveal other than to the board or its authorized representative or to the courts when required in any judicial proceeding under this chapter any

information acquired under authority of this chapter concerning any method or process which that is a trade secret and entitled to protection;

(8) use on the labeling of any drug any representation or suggestion that an application with respect to such drug is effective under the federal act or that such drug complies with such provisions;

(9) in the case of a manufacturer, packer, or distributor offering legend drugs for sale within this state, fail to maintain for transmittal or to transmit, to any practitioner licensed by applicable law to administer such drug who makes written request for information as to such drug, true and correct copies of all printed matter which that is required to be included in any package in which that drug is distributed or sold, or such other printed matter as is approved under the federal act. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to exempt any person from any labeling requirement imposed by or under provisions of this chapter;

(10) conduct a pharmacy without a pharmacist in charge;

(11) dispense a legend drug without first obtaining a valid prescription for that drug;

(12) conduct a pharmacy without proper registration with the board;

(13) practice pharmacy without being licensed to do so by the board; or

(14) sell at retail federally restricted medical gases without proper registration with the board except as provided in this chapter; or

(15) sell any compound, substance, or derivative that is not approved for human consumption by the United States Food and Drug Administration or specifically permitted for human consumption under Minnesota law and, when introduced into the body, induces an effect similar to that of a Schedule I or Schedule II controlled substance listed in section 152.02, subdivisions 2 and 3, or Minnesota Rules, parts 6800.4210 and 6800.4220, regardless of whether the substance is marketed for the purpose of human consumption.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.35, is amended to read:

#### **151.35 DRUGS, ADULTERATION.**

A drug shall be deemed to be adulterated:

(1) if it consists in whole or in part of any filthy, putrid or decomposed substance; or if it has been produced, prepared, packed, or held under unsanitary conditions whereby it may have been rendered injurious to health, or whereby it may have been contaminated with filth; or if the methods used in, or the facilities or controls used for, its manufacture, processing, packing, or holding do not conform to or are not operated or administered in conformity with current good manufacturing practice as required under the federal act to assure that such drug is safe and has the identity, strength, quality, and purity characteristics, which it purports or is represented to possess; or the facility in which it was produced was not registered by the United States Food and Drug Administration or licensed by the board; or, its container is composed, in whole or in part, of any poisonous or deleterious substance which may render the contents injurious to health; or it bears or contains, for purposes of coloring only, a color additive which is unsafe within the meaning of the federal act, or it is a color additive, the intended use of which in or on drugs is for the purposes of coloring only, and is unsafe within the meaning of the federal act;

(2) if it purports to be or is represented as a drug the name of which is recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia or the National Formulary, and its strength differs from, or its quality or purity falls below, the standard set forth therein. Such determination as to strength, quality, or purity shall be made in accordance with the tests or methods of assay set forth in such compendium, or in the absence of or inadequacy of such tests or methods of assay, those prescribed under authority of the federal act. No drug defined in the United States Pharmacopoeia or the National Formulary shall be deemed to be adulterated under this paragraph because it differs from the standard of strength, quality, or purity therefor set forth in such compendium, if its difference in strength, quality, or purity from such standard is plainly stated on its label;

(3) if it is not subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this section and its strength differs from, or its purity or quality differs from that which it purports or is represented to possess;

(4) if any substance has been mixed or packed therewith so as to reduce its quality or strength, or substituted wholly or in part therefor.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.361, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **After January 1, 1983.** (a) No legend drug in solid oral dosage form may be manufactured, packaged or distributed for sale in this state after January 1, 1983 unless it is clearly marked or imprinted with a symbol, number, company name, words, letters, national drug code or other mark uniquely identifiable to that drug product. An identifying mark or imprint made as required by federal law or by the federal Food and Drug Administration shall be deemed to be in compliance with this section.

(b) The Board of Pharmacy may grant exemptions from the requirements of this section on its own initiative or upon application of a manufacturer, packager, or distributor indicating size or other characteristics ~~which~~ that render the product impractical for the imprinting required by this section.

~~(c) The provisions of clauses (a) and (b) shall not apply to any of the following:~~

~~(1) Drugs purchased by a pharmacy, pharmacist, or licensed wholesaler prior to January 1, 1983, and held in stock for resale.~~

~~(2) Drugs which are manufactured by or upon the order of a practitioner licensed by law to prescribe or administer drugs and which are to be used solely by the patient for whom prescribed.~~

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.37, as amended by Laws 2013, chapter 43, section 30, Laws 2013, chapter 55, section 2, and Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 10, section 5, is amended to read:

### **151.37 LEGEND DRUGS, WHO MAY PRESCRIBE, POSSESS.**

Subdivision 1. **Prohibition.** Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession, or to sell, give away, barter, exchange, or distribute a legend drug.

Subd. 2. **Prescribing and filing.** (a) A licensed practitioner in the course of professional practice only, may prescribe, administer, and dispense a legend drug, and may cause the same to be administered by a nurse, a physician assistant, or medical student or resident under the practitioner's direction and supervision, and may cause a person who is an appropriately certified, registered, or licensed health care professional to prescribe, dispense, and administer the same

within the expressed legal scope of the person's practice as defined in Minnesota Statutes. A licensed practitioner may prescribe a legend drug, without reference to a specific patient, by directing a licensed dietitian or licensed nutritionist, pursuant to section 148.634; a nurse, pursuant to section 148.235, subdivisions 8 and 9; physician assistant; medical student or resident; or pharmacist according to section 151.01, subdivision 27, to adhere to a particular practice guideline or protocol when treating patients whose condition falls within such guideline or protocol, and when such guideline or protocol specifies the circumstances under which the legend drug is to be prescribed and administered. An individual who verbally, electronically, or otherwise transmits a written, oral, or electronic order, as an agent of a prescriber, shall not be deemed to have prescribed the legend drug. This paragraph applies to a physician assistant only if the physician assistant meets the requirements of section 147A.18.

(b) The commissioner of health, if a licensed practitioner, or a person designated by the commissioner who is a licensed practitioner, may prescribe a legend drug to an individual or by protocol for mass dispensing purposes where the commissioner finds that the conditions triggering section 144.4197 or 144.4198, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), exist. The commissioner, if a licensed practitioner, or a designated licensed practitioner, may prescribe, dispense, or administer a legend drug or other substance listed in subdivision 10 to control tuberculosis and other communicable diseases. The commissioner may modify state drug labeling requirements, and medical screening criteria and documentation, where time is critical and limited labeling and screening are most likely to ensure legend drugs reach the maximum number of persons in a timely fashion so as to reduce morbidity and mortality.

(c) A licensed practitioner that dispenses for profit a legend drug that is to be administered orally, is ordinarily dispensed by a pharmacist, and is not a vaccine, must file with the practitioner's licensing board a statement indicating that the practitioner dispenses legend drugs for profit, the general circumstances under which the practitioner dispenses for profit, and the types of legend drugs generally dispensed. It is unlawful to dispense legend drugs for profit after July 31, 1990, unless the statement has been filed with the appropriate licensing board. For purposes of this paragraph, "profit" means (1) any amount received by the practitioner in excess of the acquisition cost of a legend drug for legend drugs that are purchased in prepackaged form, or (2) any amount received by the practitioner in excess of the acquisition cost of a legend drug plus the cost of making the drug available if the legend drug requires compounding, packaging, or other treatment. The statement filed under this paragraph is public data under section 13.03. This paragraph does not apply to a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine or a registered pharmacist. Any person other than a licensed practitioner with the authority to prescribe, dispense, and administer a legend drug under paragraph (a) shall not dispense for profit. To dispense for profit does not include dispensing by a community health clinic when the profit from dispensing is used to meet operating expenses.

(d) A prescription or drug order for the following drugs is not valid, unless it can be established that the prescription or drug order was based on a documented patient evaluation, including an examination, adequate to establish a diagnosis and identify underlying conditions and contraindications to treatment:

- (1) controlled substance drugs listed in section 152.02, subdivisions 3 to 5;
- (2) drugs defined by the Board of Pharmacy as controlled substances under section 152.02, subdivisions 7, 8, and 12;
- (3) muscle relaxants;



- (4) centrally acting analgesics with opioid activity;
  - (5) drugs containing butalbital; or
  - (6) phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitors when used to treat erectile dysfunction.
- (e) For the purposes of paragraph (d), the requirement for an examination shall be met if an in-person examination has been completed in any of the following circumstances:
- (1) the prescribing practitioner examines the patient at the time the prescription or drug order is issued;
  - (2) the prescribing practitioner has performed a prior examination of the patient;
  - (3) another prescribing practitioner practicing within the same group or clinic as the prescribing practitioner has examined the patient;
  - (4) a consulting practitioner to whom the prescribing practitioner has referred the patient has examined the patient; or
  - (5) the referring practitioner has performed an examination in the case of a consultant practitioner issuing a prescription or drug order when providing services by means of telemedicine.
- (f) Nothing in paragraph (d) or (e) prohibits a licensed practitioner from prescribing a drug through the use of a guideline or protocol pursuant to paragraph (a).
- (g) Nothing in this chapter prohibits a licensed practitioner from issuing a prescription or dispensing a legend drug in accordance with the Expedited Partner Therapy in the Management of Sexually Transmitted Diseases guidance document issued by the United States Centers for Disease Control.
- (h) Nothing in paragraph (d) or (e) limits prescription, administration, or dispensing of legend drugs through a public health clinic or other distribution mechanism approved by the commissioner of health or a board of health in order to prevent, mitigate, or treat a pandemic illness, infectious disease outbreak, or intentional or accidental release of a biological, chemical, or radiological agent.
- (i) No pharmacist employed by, under contract to, or working for a pharmacy licensed under section 151.19, subdivision 1, may dispense a legend drug based on a prescription that the pharmacist knows, or would reasonably be expected to know, is not valid under paragraph (d).
- (j) No pharmacist employed by, under contract to, or working for a pharmacy licensed under section 151.19, subdivision 2, may dispense a legend drug to a resident of this state based on a prescription that the pharmacist knows, or would reasonably be expected to know, is not valid under paragraph (d).
- (k) Nothing in this chapter prohibits the commissioner of health, if a licensed practitioner, or, if not a licensed practitioner, a designee of the commissioner who is a licensed practitioner, from prescribing legend drugs for field-delivered therapy in the treatment of a communicable disease according to the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention Partner Services Guidelines.
- Subd. 2a. **Delegation.** A supervising physician may delegate to a physician assistant who is registered with the Board of Medical Practice and certified by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants and who is under the supervising physician's supervision, the authority to prescribe, dispense, and administer legend drugs and medical devices, subject to the

requirements in chapter 147A and other requirements established by the Board of Medical Practice in rules.

Subd. 3. **Veterinarians.** A licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, in the course of professional practice only and not for use by a human being, may personally prescribe, administer, and dispense a legend drug, and may cause the same to be administered or dispensed by an assistant under the doctor's direction and supervision.

Subd. 4. **Research.** (a) Any qualified person may use legend drugs in the course of a bona fide research project, but cannot administer or dispense such drugs to human beings unless such drugs are prescribed, dispensed, and administered by a person lawfully authorized to do so.

(b) Drugs may be dispensed or distributed by a pharmacy licensed by the board for use by, or administration to, patients enrolled in a bona fide research study that is being conducted pursuant to either an investigational new drug application approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration or that has been approved by an institutional review board. For the purposes of this subdivision only:

(1) a prescription drug order is not required for a pharmacy to dispense a research drug, unless the study protocol requires the pharmacy to receive such an order;

(2) notwithstanding the prescription labeling requirements found in this chapter or the rules promulgated by the board, a research drug may be labeled as required by the study protocol; ~~and~~

(3) dispensing and distribution of research drugs by pharmacies shall not be considered ~~compounding, manufacturing, or wholesaling under this chapter;~~ and

(4) a pharmacy may compound drugs for research studies as provided in this subdivision but must follow applicable standards established by United States Pharmacopeia, chapter 795 or 797, for nonsterile and sterile compounding, respectively.

(c) An entity that is under contract to a federal agency for the purpose of distributing drugs for bona fide research studies is exempt from the drug wholesaler licensing requirements of this chapter. Any other entity is exempt from the drug wholesaler licensing requirements of this chapter if the board finds that the entity is licensed or registered according to the laws of the state in which it is physically located and it is distributing drugs for use by, or administration to, patients enrolled in a bona fide research study that is being conducted pursuant to either an investigational new drug application approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration or that has been approved by an institutional review board.

Subd. 5. **Exclusion for course of practice.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the sale to, or the possession of, a legend drug by licensed drug wholesalers, licensed manufacturers, registered pharmacies, local detoxification centers, licensed hospitals, bona fide hospitals wherein animals are treated, or licensed pharmacists and licensed practitioners while acting within the course of their practice only.

Subd. 6. **Exclusion for course of employment.** (a) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the possession of a legend drug by an employee, agent, or sales representative of a registered drug manufacturer, or an employee or agent of a registered drug wholesaler, or registered pharmacy, while acting in the course of employment.

(b) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the following entities from possessing a legend drug for the purpose of disposing of the legend drug as pharmaceutical waste:

- (1) a law enforcement officer;
- (2) a hazardous waste transporter licensed by the Department of Transportation;
- (3) a facility permitted by the Pollution Control Agency to treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste, including household hazardous waste;
- (4) a facility licensed by the Pollution Control Agency or a metropolitan county as a very small quantity generator collection program or a minimal generator;
- (5) a county that collects, stores, transports, or disposes of a legend drug pursuant to a program in compliance with applicable federal law or a person authorized by the county to conduct one or more of these activities; or
- (6) a sanitary district organized under chapter 115, or a special law.

Subd. 7. **Exclusion for prescriptions.** (a) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the possession of a legend drug by a person for that person's use when it has been dispensed to the person in accordance with a valid prescription issued by a practitioner.

(b) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a person, for whom a legend drug has been dispensed in accordance with a written or oral prescription by a practitioner, from designating a family member, caregiver, or other individual to handle the legend drug for the purpose of assisting the person in obtaining or administering the drug or sending the drug for destruction.

(c) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a person for whom a prescription drug has been dispensed in accordance with a valid prescription issued by a practitioner from transferring the legend drug to a county that collects, stores, transports, or disposes of a legend drug pursuant to a program in compliance with applicable federal law or to a person authorized by the county to conduct one or more of these activities.

Subd. 8. **Misrepresentation.** It is unlawful for a person to procure, attempt to procure, possess, or control a legend drug by any of the following means:

- (1) deceit, misrepresentation, or subterfuge;
- (2) using a false name; or
- (3) falsely assuming the title of, or falsely representing a person to be a manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacist, practitioner, or other authorized person for the purpose of obtaining a legend drug.

Subd. 9. **Exclusion for course of laboratory employment.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the possession of a legend drug by an employee or agent of a registered analytical laboratory while acting in the course of laboratory employment.

Subd. 10. **Purchase of drugs and other agents by commissioner of health.** The commissioner of health, in preparation for and in carrying out the duties of sections 144.05, 144.4197, and 144.4198, may purchase, store, and distribute antituberculosis drugs, biologics, vaccines, antitoxins, serums, immunizing agents, antibiotics, antivirals, antidotes, other pharmaceutical agents, and medical supplies to treat and prevent communicable disease.

Subd. 10a. **Emergency use authorizations.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the purchase, possession, or use of a legend drug by an entity acting according to an emergency use authorization issued by the United States Food and Drug Administration pursuant to United States Code, title 21, section 360.bbb-3. The entity must be specifically tasked in a public health response plan to perform critical functions necessary to support the response to a public health incident or event.

Subd. 11. **Complaint reporting Exclusion for health care educational programs.** The Board of Pharmacy shall report on a quarterly basis to the Board of Optometry any complaints received regarding the prescription or administration of legend drugs under section 148.576. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an accredited public or private postsecondary school from possessing a legend drug that is not a controlled substance listed in section 152.02, provided that:

(a) the school is approved by the United States secretary of education in accordance with requirements of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended;

(b) the school provides a course of instruction that prepares individuals for employment in a health care occupation or profession;

(c) the school may only possess those drugs necessary for the instruction of such individuals; and

(d) the drugs may only be used in the course of providing such instruction and are labeled by the purchaser to indicate that they are not to be administered to patients.

Those areas of the school in which legend drugs are stored are subject to section 151.06, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (4).

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.44, is amended to read:

**151.44 DEFINITIONS.**

As used in sections 151.43 to 151.51, the following terms have the meanings given in paragraphs (a) to (h):

(a) "Wholesale drug distribution" means distribution of prescription or nonprescription drugs to persons other than a consumer or patient or reverse distribution of such drugs, but does not include:

(1) a sale between a division, subsidiary, parent, affiliated, or related company under the common ownership and control of a corporate entity;

(2) the purchase or other acquisition, by a hospital or other health care entity that is a member of a group purchasing organization, of a drug for its own use from the organization or from other hospitals or health care entities that are members of such organizations;

(3) the sale, purchase, or trade of a drug or an offer to sell, purchase, or trade a drug by a charitable organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1988, to a nonprofit affiliate of the organization to the extent otherwise permitted by law;

(4) the sale, purchase, or trade of a drug or offer to sell, purchase, or trade a drug among hospitals or other health care entities that are under common control;

(5) the sale, purchase, or trade of a drug or offer to sell, purchase, or trade a drug for emergency medical reasons;

(6) the sale, purchase, or trade of a drug, an offer to sell, purchase, or trade a drug, or the dispensing of a drug pursuant to a prescription;

(7) the transfer of prescription or nonprescription drugs by a retail pharmacy to another retail pharmacy to alleviate a temporary shortage;

(8) the distribution of prescription or nonprescription drug samples by manufacturers representatives; or

(9) the sale, purchase, or trade of blood and blood components.

(b) "Wholesale drug distributor" means anyone engaged in wholesale drug distribution including, but not limited to, manufacturers; ~~repackers~~ repackagers; own-label distributors; jobbers; brokers; warehouses, including manufacturers' and distributors' warehouses, chain drug warehouses, and wholesale drug warehouses; independent wholesale drug traders; and pharmacies that conduct wholesale drug distribution. A wholesale drug distributor does not include a common carrier or individual hired primarily to transport prescription or nonprescription drugs.

(c) ~~"Manufacturer" means anyone who is engaged in the manufacturing, preparing, propagating, compounding, processing, packaging, repackaging, or labeling of a prescription drug has the meaning provided in section 151.01, subdivision 14b.~~

(d) "Prescription drug" means a drug required by federal or state law or regulation to be dispensed only by a prescription, including finished dosage forms and active ingredients subject to United States Code, title 21, sections 811 and 812.

(e) "Blood" means whole blood collected from a single donor and processed either for transfusion or further manufacturing.

(f) "Blood components" means that part of blood separated by physical or mechanical means.

(g) "Reverse distribution" means the receipt of prescription or nonprescription drugs received from or shipped to Minnesota locations for the purpose of returning the drugs to their producers or distributors.

(h) "Reverse distributor" means a person engaged in the reverse distribution of drugs.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.58, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section only, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given.

(a) "Automated drug distribution system" or "system" means a mechanical system approved by the board that performs operations or activities, other than compounding or administration, related to the storage, packaging, or dispensing of drugs, and collects, controls, and maintains all required transaction information and records.

(b) "Health care facility" means a nursing home licensed under section 144A.02; a housing with services establishment registered under section 144D.01, subdivision 4, in which a home provider licensed under chapter 144A is providing centralized storage of medications; or a ~~community behavioral health hospital~~ or Minnesota sex offender program facility operated by the Department of Human Services.

(c) "Managing pharmacy" means a pharmacy licensed by the board that controls and is responsible for the operation of an automated drug distribution system.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.58, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Authorization.** A pharmacy may use an automated drug distribution system to fill prescription drug orders for patients of a health care facility provided that the policies and procedures required by this section have been approved by the board. The automated drug distribution system may be located in a health care facility that is not at the same location as the managing pharmacy. When located within a health care facility, the system is considered to be an extension of the managing pharmacy.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.58, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Operation of automated drug distribution systems.** (a) The managing pharmacy and the pharmacist in charge are responsible for the operation of an automated drug distribution system.

(b) Access to an automated drug distribution system must be limited to pharmacy and nonpharmacy personnel authorized to procure drugs from the system, except that field service technicians may access a system located in a health care facility for the purposes of servicing and maintaining it while being monitored either by the managing pharmacy, or a licensed nurse within the health care facility. In the case of an automated drug distribution system that is not physically located within a licensed pharmacy, access for the purpose of procuring drugs shall be limited to licensed nurses. Each person authorized to access the system must be assigned an individual specific access code. Alternatively, access to the system may be controlled through the use of biometric identification procedures. A policy specifying time access parameters, including time-outs, logoffs, and lockouts, must be in place.

(c) For the purposes of this section only, the requirements of section 151.215 are met if the following clauses are met:

(1) a pharmacist employed by and working at the managing pharmacy, or at a pharmacy that is acting as a central services pharmacy for the managing pharmacy, pursuant to Minnesota Rules, part 6800.4075, must review, interpret, and approve all prescription drug orders before any drug is distributed from the system to be administered to a patient. A pharmacy technician may perform data entry of prescription drug orders provided that a pharmacist certifies the accuracy of the data entry before the drug can be released from the automated drug distribution system. A pharmacist employed by and working at the managing pharmacy must certify the accuracy of the filling of any cassettes, canisters, or other containers that contain drugs that will be loaded into the automated drug distribution system; and

(2) when the automated drug dispensing system is located and used within the managing pharmacy, a pharmacist must personally supervise and take responsibility for all packaging and labeling associated with the use of an automated drug distribution system.

(d) Access to drugs when a pharmacist has not reviewed and approved the prescription drug order is permitted only when a formal and written decision to allow such access is issued by the pharmacy and the therapeutics committee or its equivalent. The committee must specify the patient care circumstances in which such access is allowed, the drugs that can be accessed, and the staff that are allowed to access the drugs.

(e) In the case of an automated drug distribution system that does not utilize bar coding in the loading process, the loading of a system located in a health care facility may be performed by a pharmacy technician, so long as the activity is continuously supervised, through a two-way audiovisual system by a pharmacist on duty within the managing pharmacy. In the case of an automated drug distribution system that utilizes bar coding in the loading process, the loading of a system located in a health care facility may be performed by a pharmacy technician or a licensed nurse, provided that the managing pharmacy retains an electronic record of loading activities.

(f) The automated drug distribution system must be under the supervision of a pharmacist. The pharmacist is not required to be physically present at the site of the automated drug distribution system if the system is continuously monitored electronically by the managing pharmacy. A pharmacist on duty within a pharmacy licensed by the board must be continuously available to address any problems detected by the monitoring or to answer questions from the staff of the health care facility. The licensed pharmacy may be the managing pharmacy or a pharmacy which is acting as a central services pharmacy, pursuant to Minnesota Rules, part 6800.4075, for the managing pharmacy.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 152.02, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Schedule I.** (a) Schedule I consists of the substances listed in this subdivision.

(b) Opiates. Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any of the following substances, including their analogs, isomers, esters, ethers, salts, and salts of isomers, esters, and ethers, whenever the existence of the analogs, isomers, esters, ethers, and salts is possible:

- (1) acetylmethadol;
- (2) allylprodine;
- (3) alphacetylmethadol (except levo-alphacetylmethadol, also known as levomethadyl acetate);
- (4) alphameprodine;
- (5) alphamethadol;
- (6) alpha-methylfentanyl benzethidine;
- (7) betacetylmethadol;
- (8) betameprodine;
- (9) betamethadol;
- (10) betaprodine;
- (11) clonitazene;
- (12) dextromoramide;
- (13) diampromide;
- (14) diethylambutene;
- (15) difenoxin;

- (16) dimenoxadol;
- (17) dimepheptanol;
- (18) dimethylambutene;
- (19) dioxaphetyl butyrate;
- (20) dipipanone;
- (21) ethylmethylthiambutene;
- (22) etonitazene;
- (23) etoxeridine;
- (24) furethidine;
- (25) hydroxypethidine;
- (26) ketobemidone;
- (27) levomoramide;
- (28) levophenacilmorphan;
- (29) 3-methylfentanyl;
- (30) acetyl-alpha-methylfentanyl;
- (31) alpha-methylthiofentanyl;
- (32) benzylfentanyl beta-hydroxyfentanyl;
- (33) beta-hydroxy-3-methylfentanyl;
- (34) 3-methylthiofentanyl;
- (35) thenylfentanyl;
- (36) thiofentanyl;
- (37) para-fluorofentanyl;
- (38) morpheridine;
- (39) 1-methyl-4-phenyl-4-propionoxypiperidine;
- (40) noracymethadol;
- (41) norlevorphanol;
- (42) normethadone;
- (43) norpipanone;
- (44) 1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-phenyl-4-acetoxypiperidine (PEPAP);
- (45) phenadoxone;



- (46) phenampromide;
- (47) phenomorphan;
- (48) phenoperidine;
- (49) piritramide;
- (50) proheptazine;
- (51) properidine;
- (52) propiram;
- (53) racemoramide;
- (54) tilidine;
- (55) trimeperidine;
- (56) N-(1-Phenethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-phenylacetamide (acetyl fentanyl).

(c) Opium derivatives. Any of the following substances, their analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, whenever the existence of the analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible:

- (1) acetorphine;
- (2) acetyldihydrocodeine;
- (3) benzylmorphine;
- (4) codeine methylbromide;
- (5) codeine-n-oxide;
- (6) cyprenorphine;
- (7) desomorphine;
- (8) dihydromorphine;
- (9) drotebanol;
- (10) etorphine;
- (11) heroin;
- (12) hydromorphanol;
- (13) methyldesorphine;
- (14) methyldihydromorphine;
- (15) morphine methylbromide;
- (16) morphine methylsulfonate;
- (17) morphine-n-oxide;

- (18) myrophine;
- (19) nicocodeine;
- (20) nicomorphine;
- (21) normorphine;
- (22) pholcodine;
- (23) thebacon.

(d) Hallucinogens. Any material, compound, mixture or preparation which contains any quantity of the following substances, their analogs, salts, isomers (whether optical, positional, or geometric), and salts of isomers, unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, whenever the existence of the analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible:

- (1) methylenedioxy amphetamine;
- (2) methylenedioxymethamphetamine;
- (3) methylenedioxy-N-ethylamphetamine (MDEA);
- (4) n-hydroxy-methylenedioxyamphetamine;
- (5) 4-bromo-2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine (DOB);
- (6) 2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine (2,5-DMA);
- (7) 4-methoxyamphetamine;
- (8) 5-methoxy-3, 4-methylenedioxy amphetamine;
- (9) alpha-ethyltryptamine;
- (10) bufotenine;
- (11) diethyltryptamine;
- (12) dimethyltryptamine;
- (13) 3,4,5-trimethoxy amphetamine;
- (14) 4-methyl-2, 5-dimethoxyamphetamine (DOM);
- (15) ibogaine;
- (16) lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD);
- (17) mescaline;
- (18) parahexyl;
- (19) N-ethyl-3-piperidyl benzilate;
- (20) N-methyl-3-piperidyl benzilate;
- (21) psilocybin;

- (22) psilocyn;
- (23) tenocyclidine (TPCP or TCP);
- (24) N-ethyl-1-phenyl-cyclohexylamine (PCE);
- (25) 1-(1-phenylcyclohexyl) pyrrolidine (PCPy);
- (26) 1-[1-(2-thienyl)cyclohexyl]-pyrrolidine (TCPy);
- (27) 4-chloro-2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine (DOC);
- (28) 4-ethyl-2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine (DOET);
- (29) 4-iodo-2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine (DOI);
- (30) 4-bromo-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-B);
- (31) 4-chloro-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-C);
- (32) 4-methyl-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2-CD);
- (33) 4-ethyl-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-E);
- (34) 4-iodo-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-I);
- (35) 4-propyl-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-P);
- (36) 4-isopropylthio-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-T-4);
- (37) 4-propylthio-2,5-dimethoxyphenethylamine (2C-T-7);
- (38) 2-(8-bromo-2,3,6,7-tetrahydrofuro [2,3-f][1]benzofuran-4-yl)ethanamine (2-CB-FLY);
- (39) bromo-benzodifuranyl-isopropylamine (Bromo-DragonFLY);
- (40) alpha-methyltryptamine (AMT);
- (41) N,N-diisopropyltryptamine (DiPT);
- (42) 4-acetoxy-N,N-dimethyltryptamine (4-AcO-DMT);
- (43) 4-acetoxy-N,N-diethyltryptamine (4-AcO-DET);
- (44) 4-hydroxy-N-methyl-N-propyltryptamine (4-HO-MPT);
- (45) 4-hydroxy-N,N-dipropyltryptamine (4-HO-DPT);
- (46) 4-hydroxy-N,N-diallyltryptamine (4-HO-DALT);
- (47) 4-hydroxy-N,N-diisopropyltryptamine (4-HO-DiPT);
- (48) 5-methoxy-N,N-diisopropyltryptamine (5-MeO-DiPT);
- (49) 5-methoxy- $\alpha$ -methyltryptamine (5-MeO-AMT);
- (50) 5-methoxy-N,N-dimethyltryptamine (5-MeO-DMT);
- (51) 5-methylthio-N,N-dimethyltryptamine (5-MeS-DMT);

- (52) 5-methoxy-N-methyl-N-propyltryptamine (5-MeO-MiPT);
- (53) 5-methoxy- $\alpha$ -ethyltryptamine (5-MeO-AET);
- (54) 5-methoxy-N,N-dipropyltryptamine (5-MeO-DPT);
- (55) 5-methoxy-N,N-diethyltryptamine (5-MeO-DET);
- (56) 5-methoxy-N,N-diallyltryptamine (5-MeO-DALT);
- (57) methoxetamine (MXE);
- (58) 5-iodo-2-aminoindane (5-IAI);
- (59) 5,6-methylenedioxy-2-aminoindane (MDAI);
- (60) 2-(4-iodo-2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-N-[(2-methoxyphenyl)methyl]ethanamine (25I-NBOMe).

(e) Peyote. All parts of the plant presently classified botanically as *Lophophora williamsii* Lemaire, whether growing or not, the seeds thereof, any extract from any part of the plant, and every compound, manufacture, salts, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds or extracts. The listing of peyote as a controlled substance in Schedule I does not apply to the nondrug use of peyote in bona fide religious ceremonies of the American Indian Church, and members of the American Indian Church are exempt from registration. Any person who manufactures peyote for or distributes peyote to the American Indian Church, however, is required to obtain federal registration annually and to comply with all other requirements of law.

(f) Central nervous system depressants. Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any material compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the following substances, their analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers whenever the existence of the analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible:

- (1) mecloqualone;
- (2) methaqualone;
- (3) gamma-hydroxybutyric acid (GHB), including its esters and ethers;
- (4) flunitrazepam.

(g) Stimulants. Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any material compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the following substances, their analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers whenever the existence of the analogs, salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible:

- (1) aminorex;
- (2) cathinone;
- (3) fenethylamine;
- (4) methcathinone;
- (5) methylaminorex;

- (6) N,N-dimethylamphetamine;
- (7) N-benzylpiperazine (BZP);
- (8) methylmethcathinone (mephedrone);
- (9) 3,4-methylenedioxy-N-methylcathinone (methydone);
- (10) methoxymethcathinone (methedrone);
- (11) methylenedioxypropylamphetamine (MDPV);
- (12) fluoromethcathinone;
- (13) methylethcathinone (MEC);
- (14) 1-benzofuran-6-ylpropan-2-amine (6-APB);
- (15) dimethylmethcathinone (DMMC);
- (16) fluoroamphetamine;
- (17) fluoromethamphetamine;
- (18)  $\alpha$ -methylaminobutyrophenone (MABP or buphedrone);
- (19)  $\beta$ -keto-N-methylbenzodioxolylpropylamine (bk-MBDB or butylone);
- (20) 2-(methylamino)-1-(4-methylphenyl)butan-1-one (4-MEMABP or BZ-6378);
- (21) naphthylpropylamphetamine (naphyrone); and
- (22) (RS)-1-phenyl-2-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-1-pentanone (alpha-PVP or alpha-pyrrolidinovalerophenone);
- (23) (RS)-1-(4-methylphenyl)-2-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-1-hexanone (4-Me-PHP or MPHP); and

~~(22)~~ (24) any other substance, except bupropion or compounds listed under a different schedule, that is structurally derived from 2-aminopropan-1-one by substitution at the 1-position with either phenyl, naphthyl, or thiophene ring systems, whether or not the compound is further modified in any of the following ways:

(i) by substitution in the ring system to any extent with alkyl, alkylendioxy, alkoxy, haloalkyl, hydroxyl, or halide substituents, whether or not further substituted in the ring system by one or more other univalent substituents;

(ii) by substitution at the 3-position with an acyclic alkyl substituent;

(iii) by substitution at the 2-amino nitrogen atom with alkyl, dialkyl, benzyl, or methoxybenzyl groups; or

(iv) by inclusion of the 2-amino nitrogen atom in a cyclic structure.

(h) Marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinols, and synthetic cannabinoids. Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any natural or synthetic material, compound, mixture, or preparation that contains any quantity of the following substances, their analogs, isomers, esters,

ethers, salts, and salts of isomers, esters, and ethers, whenever the existence of the isomers, esters, ethers, or salts is possible:

(1) marijuana;

(2) tetrahydrocannabinols naturally contained in a plant of the genus *Cannabis*, synthetic equivalents of the substances contained in the cannabis plant or in the resinous extractives of the plant, or synthetic substances with similar chemical structure and pharmacological activity to those substances contained in the plant or resinous extract, including, but not limited to, 1 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, 6 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and 3,4 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol;

(3) synthetic cannabinoids, including the following substances:

(i) Naphthoylindoles, which are any compounds containing a 3-(1-naphthoyl)indole structure with substitution at the nitrogen atom of the indole ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group, whether or not further substituted in the indole ring to any extent and whether or not substituted in the naphthyl ring to any extent. Examples of naphthoylindoles include, but are not limited to:

(A) 1-Pentyl-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-018 and AM-678);

(B) 1-Butyl-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-073);

(C) 1-Pentyl-3-(4-methoxy-1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-081);

(D) 1-[2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl]-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-200);

(E) 1-Propyl-2-methyl-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-015);

(F) 1-Hexyl-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-019);

(G) 1-Pentyl-3-(4-methyl-1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-122);

(H) 1-Pentyl-3-(4-ethyl-1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-210);

(I) 1-Pentyl-3-(4-chloro-1-naphthoyl)indole (JWH-398);

(J) 1-(5-fluoropentyl)-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (AM-2201).

(ii) Naphthylmethylindoles, which are any compounds containing a 1H-indol-3-yl-(1-naphthyl)methane structure with substitution at the nitrogen atom of the indole ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group, whether or not further substituted in the indole ring to any extent and whether or not substituted in the naphthyl ring to any extent. Examples of naphthylmethylindoles include, but are not limited to:

(A) 1-Pentyl-1H-indol-3-yl-(1-naphthyl)methane (JWH-175);

(B) 1-Pentyl-1H-indol-3-yl-(4-methyl-1-naphthyl)methan (JWH-184).

(iii) Naphthoylpyrroles, which are any compounds containing a 3-(1-naphthoyl)pyrrole structure with substitution at the nitrogen atom of the pyrrole ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group whether or not further substituted in the pyrrole ring to any extent, whether or not substituted

in the naphthyl ring to any extent. Examples of naphthoylpyrroles include, but are not limited to, (5-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-pentylpyrrol-3-yl)-naphthalen-1-ylmethanone (JWH-307).

(iv) Naphthylmethylindenes, which are any compounds containing a naphthylideneindene structure with substitution at the 3-position of the indene ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group whether or not further substituted in the indene ring to any extent, whether or not substituted in the naphthyl ring to any extent. Examples of naphthylmethylindenes include, but are not limited to, E-1-[1-(1-naphthalenylmethylene)-1H-inden-3-yl]pentane (JWH-176).

(v) Phenylacetylindoles, which are any compounds containing a 3-phenylacetylindole structure with substitution at the nitrogen atom of the indole ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group whether or not further substituted in the indole ring to any extent, whether or not substituted in the phenyl ring to any extent. Examples of phenylacetylindoles include, but are not limited to:

- (A) 1-(2-cyclohexylethyl)-3-(2-methoxyphenylacetyl)indole (RCS-8);
- (B) 1-pentyl-3-(2-methoxyphenylacetyl)indole (JWH-250);
- (C) 1-pentyl-3-(2-methylphenylacetyl)indole (JWH-251);
- (D) 1-pentyl-3-(2-chlorophenylacetyl)indole (JWH-203).

(vi) Cyclohexylphenols, which are compounds containing a 2-(3-hydroxycyclohexyl)phenol structure with substitution at the 5-position of the phenolic ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group whether or not substituted in the cyclohexyl ring to any extent. Examples of cyclohexylphenols include, but are not limited to:

- (A) 5-(1,1-dimethylheptyl)-2-[(1R,3S)-3-hydroxycyclohexyl]-phenol (CP 47,497);
- (B) 5-(1,1-dimethyloctyl)-2-[(1R,3S)-3-hydroxycyclohexyl]-phenol (Cannabicyclohexanol or CP 47,497 C8 homologue);
- (C) 5-(1,1-dimethylheptyl)-2-[(1R,2R)-5-hydroxy-2-(3-hydroxypropyl)cyclohexyl]-phenol (CP 55,940).

(vii) Benzoylindoles, which are any compounds containing a 3-(benzoyl)indole structure with substitution at the nitrogen atom of the indole ring by an alkyl, haloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkylmethyl, cycloalkylethyl, 1-(N-methyl-2-piperidinyl)methyl or 2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl group whether or not further substituted in the indole ring to any extent and whether or not substituted in the phenyl ring to any extent. Examples of benzoylindoles include, but are not limited to:

- (A) 1-Pentyl-3-(4-methoxybenzoyl)indole (RCS-4);
- (B) 1-(5-fluoropentyl)-3-(2-iodobenzoyl)indole (AM-694);
- (C) (4-methoxyphenyl-[2-methyl-1-(2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl)indol-3-yl]methanone (WIN 48,098 or Pravadoline).

(viii) Others specifically named:

(A) (6aR,10aR)-9-(hydroxymethyl)-6,6-dimethyl-3-(2-methyloctan-2-yl)-6a,7,10,10a-tetrahydrobenzo[c]chromen-1-ol (HU-210);

(B) (6aS,10aS)-9-(hydroxymethyl)-6,6-dimethyl-3-(2-methyloctan-2-yl)-6a,7,10,10a-tetrahydrobenzo[c]chromen-1-ol (Dexanabinol or HU-211);

(C) 2,3-dihydro-5-methyl-3-(4-morpholinylmethyl)pyrrolo[1,2,3-de]-1,4-benzoxazin-6-yl-1-naphthalenylmethanone (WIN 55,212-2);

(D) (1-pentylindol-3-yl)-(2,2,3,3-tetramethylcyclopropyl)methanone (UR-144);

(E) (1-(5-fluoropentyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)(2,2,3,3-tetramethylcyclopropyl)methanone (XLR-11);

(F) 1-pentyl-N-tricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-1-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide (AKB-48 (APINACA));

(G) N-((3s,5s,7s)-adamantan-1-yl)-1-(5-fluoropentyl)-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide (5-Fluoro-AKB-48);

(H) 1-pentyl-8-quinolinyl ester-1H-indole-3-carboxylic acid (PB-22);

(I) 8-quinolinyl ester-1-(5-fluoropentyl)-1H-indole-3-carboxylic acid (5-Fluoro PB-22);

(J) N-[(1S)-1-(aminocarbonyl)-2-methylpropyl]-1-pentyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide (AB-PINACA);

(K) N-[(1S)-1-(aminocarbonyl)-2-methylpropyl]-1-[(4-fluorophenyl)methyl]-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide (AB-FUBINACA).

(i) A controlled substance analog, to the extent that it is implicitly or explicitly intended for human consumption.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 152.02, subdivision 8b, is amended to read:

Subd. 8b. **Board of Pharmacy; expedited scheduling of additional substances.** (a) The state Board of Pharmacy may, by rule, add a substance to Schedule I provided that it finds that the substance has a high potential for abuse, has no currently accepted medical use in the United States, has a lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision, has known adverse health effects, and is currently available for use within the state. For the purposes of this subdivision only, the board may use the expedited rulemaking process under section 14.389. ~~The scheduling of a substance under this subdivision expires the day after the adjournment of the legislative session immediately following the substance's scheduling unless the legislature by law ratifies the action.~~

~~(b) If the board schedules a substance under this subdivision, the board shall notify in a timely manner the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees having jurisdiction over criminal justice and health policy and finance of the action and the reasons for it. The notice must include a copy of the administrative law judge's decision on the matter.~~

~~(c) This subdivision expires August 1, 2014.~~



Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 152.126, as amended by Laws 2013, chapter 113, article 3, section 3, is amended to read:

**152.126 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES PRESCRIPTION ELECTRONIC REPORTING SYSTEM PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given.

(a) (b) "Board" means the Minnesota State Board of Pharmacy established under chapter 151.

(b) (c) "Controlled substances" means those substances listed in section 152.02, subdivisions 3 to 5 6, and those substances defined by the board pursuant to section 152.02, subdivisions 7, 8, and 12. For the purposes of this section, controlled substances includes tramadol and butalbital.

(c) (d) "Dispense" or "dispensing" has the meaning given in section 151.01, subdivision 30. Dispensing does not include the direct administering of a controlled substance to a patient by a licensed health care professional.

(d) (e) "Dispenser" means a person authorized by law to dispense a controlled substance, pursuant to a valid prescription. For the purposes of this section, a dispenser does not include a licensed hospital pharmacy that distributes controlled substances for inpatient hospital care, a licensed pharmacy, located on the same premises as a residential hospice, when the licensed pharmacy is dispensing controlled substances to be used by an individual who is a resident of the hospice or a veterinarian who is dispensing prescriptions under section 156.18.

(e) (f) "Prescriber" means a licensed health care professional who is authorized to prescribe a controlled substance under section 152.12, subdivision 1 or 2.

(f) (g) "Prescription" has the meaning given in section 151.01, subdivision 16.

Subd. 1a. **Treatment of intractable pain.** This section is not intended to limit or interfere with the legitimate prescribing of controlled substances for pain. No prescriber shall be subject to disciplinary action by a health-related licensing board for prescribing a controlled substance according to the provisions of section 152.125.

Subd. 2. **Prescription electronic reporting system.** (a) The board shall establish by January 1, 2010, an electronic system for reporting the information required under subdivision 4 for all controlled substances dispensed within the state.

(b) The board may contract with a vendor for the purpose of obtaining technical assistance in the design, implementation, operation, and maintenance of the electronic reporting system.

Subd. 3. **Prescription Electronic Reporting Monitoring Program Advisory Committee Task Force.** (a) ~~The board shall convene~~ may appoint an advisory committee. ~~The committee must include task force consisting of~~ at least one representative of:

- (1) the Department of Health;
- (2) the Department of Human Services;
- (3) each health-related licensing board that licenses prescribers;

(4) a professional medical association, which may include an association of pain management and chemical dependency specialists;

(5) a professional pharmacy association;

(6) a professional nursing association;

(7) a professional dental association;

(8) a consumer privacy or security advocate; ~~and~~

(9) a consumer or patient rights organization; and

(10) an association of medical examiners and coroners.

(b) The advisory ~~committee~~ task force shall advise the board on the development and operation of the ~~electronic reporting system~~ prescription monitoring program, including, but not limited to:

(1) technical standards for electronic prescription drug reporting;

(2) proper analysis and interpretation of prescription monitoring data; ~~and~~

(3) an evaluation process for the program; and

(4) criteria for the unsolicited provision of prescription monitoring data by the board to prescribers and dispensers.

(c) The task force is governed by section 15.059. Notwithstanding section 15.059, subdivision 5, the task force shall not expire.

Subd. 4. **Reporting requirements; notice.** (a) Each dispenser must submit the following data to the board or its designated vendor; ~~subject to the notice required under paragraph (d):~~

(1) name of the prescriber;

(2) national provider identifier of the prescriber;

(3) name of the dispenser;

(4) national provider identifier of the dispenser;

(5) prescription number;

(6) name of the patient for whom the prescription was written;

(7) address of the patient for whom the prescription was written;

(8) date of birth of the patient for whom the prescription was written;

(9) date the prescription was written;

(10) date the prescription was filled;

(11) name and strength of the controlled substance;

(12) quantity of controlled substance prescribed;

(13) quantity of controlled substance dispensed; and

(14) number of days supply.

(b) The dispenser must submit the required information by a procedure and in a format established by the board. The board may allow dispensers to omit data listed in this subdivision or may require the submission of data not listed in this subdivision provided the omission or submission is necessary for the purpose of complying with the electronic reporting or data transmission standards of the American Society for Automation in Pharmacy, the National Council on Prescription Drug Programs, or other relevant national standard-setting body.

(c) A dispenser is not required to submit this data for those controlled substance prescriptions dispensed for:

~~(1) individuals residing in licensed skilled nursing or intermediate care facilities;~~

~~(2) individuals receiving assisted living services under chapter 144G or through a medical assistance home and community-based waiver;~~

~~(3) individuals receiving medication intravenously;~~

~~(4) individuals receiving hospice and other palliative or end-of-life care; and~~

~~(5) individuals receiving services from a home care provider regulated under chapter 144A.~~

(1) individuals residing in a health care facility as defined in section 151.58, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), when a drug is distributed through the use of an automated drug distribution system according to section 151.58; and

(2) individuals receiving a drug sample that was packaged by a manufacturer and provided to the dispenser for dispensing as a professional sample pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, title 21, section 203, subpart D.

(d) A dispenser must not submit data under this subdivision unless provide to the patient for whom the prescription was written a conspicuous notice of the reporting requirements of this section is given to the patient for whom the prescription was written and notice that the information may be used for program administration purposes.

**Subd. 5. Use of data by board.** (a) The board shall develop and maintain a database of the data reported under subdivision 4. The board shall maintain data that could identify an individual prescriber or dispenser in encrypted form. Except as otherwise allowed under subdivision 6, the database may be used by permissible users identified under subdivision 6 for the identification of:

(1) individuals receiving prescriptions for controlled substances from prescribers who subsequently obtain controlled substances from dispensers in quantities or with a frequency inconsistent with generally recognized standards of use for those controlled substances, including standards accepted by national and international pain management associations; and

(2) individuals presenting forged or otherwise false or altered prescriptions for controlled substances to dispensers.

(b) No permissible user identified under subdivision 6 may access the database for the sole purpose of identifying prescribers of controlled substances for unusual or excessive prescribing patterns without a valid search warrant or court order.

(c) No personnel of a state or federal occupational licensing board or agency may access the database for the purpose of obtaining information to be used to initiate or substantiate a disciplinary action against a prescriber when the disciplinary action relates to allegations involving unusual or excessive prescribing of the drugs for which data is collected under subdivision 4.

(d) ~~Data reported under subdivision 4 shall be retained by the board in the database for a 12-month period, and shall be removed from the database no later than 12 months from the last day of the month during which the data was received.~~ made available to permissible users for a 12-month period beginning the day the data was received and ending 12 months from the last day of the month in which the data was received, except that permissible users defined in subdivision 6, paragraph (b), clauses (6) and (7), may use all data collected under this section for the purposes of administering, operating, and maintaining the prescription monitoring program and conducting trend analyses and other studies necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

(e) The board shall not retain data reported under subdivision 4 for a period longer than five years from the date the data was received.

**Subd. 6. Access to reporting system data.** (a) Except as indicated in this subdivision, the data submitted to the board under subdivision 4 is private data on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, and not subject to public disclosure.

(b) Except as specified in subdivision 5, the following persons shall be considered permissible users and may access the data submitted under subdivision 4 in the same or similar manner, and for the same or similar purposes, as those persons who are authorized to access similar private data on individuals under federal and state law:

(1) a prescriber or an agent or employee of the prescriber to whom the prescriber has delegated the task of accessing the data, to the extent the information relates specifically to a current patient, to whom the prescriber is prescribing or considering prescribing any controlled substance or to whom the prescriber is providing other medical treatment for which access to the data may be necessary and with the provision that the prescriber remains responsible for the use or misuse of data accessed by a delegated agent or employee;

(2) a dispenser or an agent or employee of the dispenser to whom the dispenser has delegated the task of accessing the data, to the extent the information relates specifically to a current patient to whom that dispenser is dispensing or considering dispensing any controlled substance and with the provision that the dispenser remains responsible for the use or misuse of data accessed by a delegated agent or employee;

(3) a licensed pharmacist who is providing pharmaceutical care for which access to the data may be necessary to the extent that the information relates specifically to a current patient for whom the pharmacist is providing pharmaceutical care;

~~(3)~~ (4) an individual who is the recipient of a controlled substance prescription for which data was submitted under subdivision 4, or a guardian of the individual, parent or guardian of a minor, or health care agent of the individual acting under a health care directive under chapter 145C;

~~(4)~~ (5) personnel of the a health-related licensing board specifically listed in section 214.01, subdivision 2, or the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board, assigned to conduct a bona fide investigation of a complaint received by that board alleging that a specific licensee is impaired by use of a drug for which data is collected under subdivision 4, has engaged in activity that would

constitute a crime as defined in section 152.025, or has engaged in the behavior specified in section 152.126, subdivision 5, paragraph (a);

~~(5)~~ (6) personnel of the board engaged in the collection, review, and analysis of controlled substance prescription information as part of the assigned duties and responsibilities under this section;

~~(6)~~ (7) authorized personnel of a vendor under contract with the board state of Minnesota who are engaged in the design, implementation, operation, and maintenance of the electronic reporting system prescription monitoring program as part of the assigned duties and responsibilities of their employment, provided that access to data is limited to the minimum amount necessary to carry out such duties and responsibilities;

~~(7)~~ (8) federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities acting pursuant to a valid search warrant;

~~(8)~~ (9) personnel of the ~~medical assistance program~~ Minnesota health care programs assigned to use the data collected under this section to identify and manage recipients whose usage of controlled substances may warrant restriction to a single primary care physician provider, a single outpatient pharmacy, ~~or and~~ a single hospital; and

~~(9)~~ (10) personnel of the Department of Human Services assigned to access the data pursuant to paragraph (h);

(11) a coroner or medical examiner, or an agent or employee of the coroner or medical examiner to whom the coroner or medical examiner has delegated the task of accessing the data, conducting an investigation pursuant to section 390.11, and with the provision that the coroner or medical examiner remains responsible for the use or misuse of data accessed by a delegated agent or employee; and

(12) personnel of the health professionals services program established under section 214.31, to the extent that the information relates specifically to an individual who is currently enrolled in and being monitored by the program. The health professionals services program personnel shall not provide this data to a health-related licensing board or the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board, except as permitted under section 214.33, subdivision 3.

For purposes of clause ~~(3)~~ (4), access by an individual includes persons in the definition of an individual under section 13.02.

(c) ~~Any~~ A permissible user identified in paragraph (b), ~~who~~ clauses (1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (9), (10), and (11) may directly accesses access the data electronically; If the data is directly accessed electronically, the permissible user shall implement and maintain a comprehensive information security program that contains administrative, technical, and physical safeguards that are appropriate to the user's size and complexity, and the sensitivity of the personal information obtained. The permissible user shall identify reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks to the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information that could result in the unauthorized disclosure, misuse, or other compromise of the information and assess the sufficiency of any safeguards in place to control the risks.

(d) The board shall not release data submitted under ~~this section~~ subdivision 4 unless it is provided with evidence, satisfactory to the board, that the person requesting the information is entitled to receive the data.

~~(e) The board shall not release the name of a prescriber without the written consent of the prescriber or a valid search warrant or court order. The board shall provide a mechanism for a prescriber to submit to the board a signed consent authorizing the release of the prescriber's name when data containing the prescriber's name is requested.~~

~~(f)~~ (e) The board shall maintain a log of all persons who access the data for a period of at least three years and shall ensure that any permissible user complies with paragraph (c) prior to attaining direct access to the data.

~~(g)~~ (f) Section 13.05, subdivision 6, shall apply to any contract the board enters into pursuant to subdivision 2. A vendor shall not use data collected under this section for any purpose not specified in this section.

(g) The board may participate in an interstate prescription monitoring program data exchange system provided that permissible users in other states have access to the data only as allowed under this section, and that section 13.05, subdivision 6, applies to any contract or memorandum of understanding that the board enters into under this paragraph.

(h) With available appropriations, the commissioner of human services shall establish and implement a system through which the Department of Human Services shall routinely access the data for the purpose of determining whether any client enrolled in an opioid treatment program licensed according to chapter 245A has been prescribed or dispensed a controlled substance in addition to that administered or dispensed by the opioid treatment program. When the commissioner determines there have been multiple prescribers or multiple prescriptions of controlled substances, the commissioner shall:

(1) inform the medical director of the opioid treatment program only that the commissioner determined the existence of multiple prescribers or multiple prescriptions of controlled substances; and

(2) direct the medical director of the opioid treatment program to access the data directly, review the effect of the multiple prescribers or multiple prescriptions, and document the review.

If determined necessary, the commissioner of human services shall seek a federal waiver of, or exception to, any applicable provision of Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, part 2.34, item (c), prior to implementing this paragraph.

(i) The board may provide data submitted under subdivision 4 for public research, policy, or education purposes, but only after the removal of any information that is likely to reveal the identity of the patient, prescriber, or dispenser who is the subject of the data.

(j) The board shall review the data submitted under subdivision 4 on at least a quarterly basis and shall establish criteria, in consultation with the advisory task force, for referring information about a patient to prescribers and dispensers who prescribed or dispensed the prescriptions in question if the criteria are met.

**Subd. 7. Disciplinary action.** (a) A dispenser who knowingly fails to submit data to the board as required under this section is subject to disciplinary action by the appropriate health-related licensing board.

(b) A prescriber or dispenser authorized to access the data who knowingly discloses the data in violation of state or federal laws relating to the privacy of health care data shall be subject to disciplinary action by the appropriate health-related licensing board, and appropriate civil penalties.

~~Subd. 8. **Evaluation and reporting.** (a) The board shall evaluate the prescription electronic reporting system to determine if the system is negatively impacting appropriate prescribing practices of controlled substances. The board may contract with a vendor to design and conduct the evaluation.~~

~~(b) The board shall submit the evaluation of the system to the legislature by July 15, 2011.~~

Subd. 9. **Immunity from liability; no requirement to obtain information.** (a) A pharmacist, prescriber, or other dispenser making a report to the program in good faith under this section is immune from any civil, criminal, or administrative liability, which might otherwise be incurred or imposed as a result of the report, or on the basis that the pharmacist or prescriber did or did not seek or obtain or use information from the program.

(b) Nothing in this section shall require a pharmacist, prescriber, or other dispenser to obtain information about a patient from the program, and the pharmacist, prescriber, or other dispenser, if acting in good faith, is immune from any civil, criminal, or administrative liability that might otherwise be incurred or imposed for requesting, receiving, or using information from the program.

Subd. 10. **Funding.** (a) The board may seek grants and private funds from nonprofit charitable foundations, the federal government, and other sources to fund the enhancement and ongoing operations of the prescription ~~electronic reporting system~~ monitoring program established under this section. Any funds received shall be appropriated to the board for this purpose. The board may not expend funds to enhance the program in a way that conflicts with this section without seeking approval from the legislature.

(b) Notwithstanding any other section, the administrative services unit for the health-related licensing boards shall apportion between the Board of Medical Practice, the Board of Nursing, the Board of Dentistry, the Board of Podiatric Medicine, the Board of Optometry, the Board of Veterinary Medicine, and the Board of Pharmacy an amount to be paid through fees by each respective board. The amount apportioned to each board shall equal each board's share of the annual appropriation to the Board of Pharmacy from the state government special revenue fund for operating the prescription ~~electronic reporting system~~ monitoring program under this section. Each board's apportioned share shall be based on the number of prescribers or dispensers that each board identified in this paragraph licenses as a percentage of the total number of prescribers and dispensers licensed collectively by these boards. Each respective board may adjust the fees that the boards are required to collect to compensate for the amount apportioned to each board by the administrative services unit.

**Sec. 23. STUDY REQUIRED; PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM DATABASE.**

The Board of Pharmacy, in collaboration with the Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Task Force, shall study the issue of mandatory use of the prescription monitoring program database and report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate health and human services policy and finance division and the house of representatives health and human services policy and finance committees by December 15, 2014, with recommendations on whether or not to require the use of the prescription monitoring program database by prescribers when prescribing or considering

prescribing, and pharmacists when dispensing or considering dispensing, a controlled substance as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 152.126, subdivision 1, paragraph (c).

### ARTICLE 3

#### ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Advanced practice registered nurse.** "Advanced practice registered nurse," abbreviated APRN, means an individual licensed as a an advanced practice registered nurse by the board and certified by a national nurse certification organization acceptable to the board to practice as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse anesthetist, nurse-midwife, or nurse practitioner. The national nursing certification organization must:

(1) be endorsed by a national professional nursing organization that describes scope and standards statements specific to the practice as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or registered nurse anesthetist for the population focus for which the individual will be certified;

(2) be independent from the national professional nursing organization in decision-making for all matters pertaining to certification or recertification;

(3) administer a professional nursing certification program that is psychometrically sound, legally defensible, and that meets nationally recognized accreditation standards for certification programs; and

(4) require periodic recertification or is affiliated with an organization that provides recertification.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4a. **Certification.** "Certification" means the formal recognition of knowledge, skills, and experience demonstrated by the achievement of standards identified by the National Professional Nursing Organization acceptable to the Minnesota Board of Nursing.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Clinical nurse specialist practice.** "Clinical nurse specialist practice" means the provision of patient care in a particular specialty or subspecialty of advanced practice registered nursing within the context of collaborative management, and includes: (1) diagnosing illness and disease; (2) providing nonpharmacologic treatment, including psychotherapy; (3) promoting wellness; and (4) preventing illness and disease. The certified clinical nurse specialist is certified for advanced practice registered nursing in a specific field of clinical nurse specialist practice.:

(1) the diagnosis and treatment of health and illness states;

(2) disease management;

(3) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies;

(4) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(5) prevention of illness and risk behaviors;



(6) nursing care for individuals, families, and communities;

(7) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient; and

(8) integration of care across the continuum to improve patient outcomes.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6a. **Collaboration.** "Collaboration" means the process in which two or more health care professionals work together to meet the health care needs of a patient, as warranted by the patient.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Nurse.** "Nurse" means advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, advanced practice registered nurse, and licensed practical nurse unless the context clearly refers to only one category.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Nurse-midwife practice.** "Nurse-midwife practice" means the management of women's primary health care, focusing on pregnancy, childbirth, the postpartum period, care of the newborn, and the family planning and gynecological needs of women and includes diagnosing and providing nonpharmacologic treatment within a system that provides for consultation, collaborative management, and referral as indicated by the health status of patients.:

(1) the management, diagnosis, and treatment of women's primary health care including pregnancy, childbirth, postpartum period, care of the newborn, family planning, partner care management relating to sexual health, and gynecological care of women across the life span;

(2) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(3) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies; and

(4) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **Nurse practitioner practice.** "Nurse practitioner practice" means, within the context of collaborative management: (1) diagnosing, directly managing, and preventing acute and chronic illness and disease; and (2) promoting wellness, including providing nonpharmacologic treatment. The certified nurse practitioner is certified for advanced registered nurse practice in a specific field of nurse practitioner practice. the provision of care including:

(1) health promotion, disease prevention, health education, and counseling;

(2) providing health assessment and screening activities;

(3) diagnosing, treating, and facilitating patients' management of their acute and chronic illnesses and diseases;

(4) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(5) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies; and

(6) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 12b. **Population focus.** "Population focus" means the categories of patients for which the advanced practice registered nurse has the educational preparation to provide care and services. The categories of population foci are:

- (1) family and individual across the life span;
- (2) adult gerontology;
- (3) neonatal;
- (4) pediatrics;
- (5) women's and gender-related health; and
- (6) psychiatric and mental health.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **Practice of advanced practice registered nursing.** (a) The "practice of advanced practice registered nursing" means the performance of ~~clinical nurse specialist practice, nurse-midwife practice, nurse practitioner practice, or registered nurse anesthetist practice as defined in subdivisions 5, 10, 11, and 21~~ an expanded scope of nursing in at least one of the recognized advanced practice registered nurse roles for at least one population focus. The scope and practice standards of an advanced practice registered nurse are defined by the national professional nursing organizations specific to the practice as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or registered nurse anesthetist in the population focus. The scope of advanced practice registered nursing includes, but is not limited to, performing acts of advanced assessment, diagnosing, prescribing, and ordering. The practice includes functioning as a primary care provider, direct care provider, case manager, consultant, educator, and researcher. The practice of advanced practice registered nursing also includes accepting referrals from, consulting with, cooperating with, or referring to all other types of health care providers, including but not limited to physicians, chiropractors, podiatrists, and dentists, provided that the advanced practice registered nurse and the other provider are practicing within their scopes of practice as defined in state law. The advanced practice registered nurse must practice within a health care system that provides for consultation, collaborative management, and referral as indicated by the health status of the patient.

(b) The practice of advanced practice registered nursing requires the advanced practice registered nurse to be accountable: (1) to patients for the quality of advanced nursing care rendered; (2) for recognizing limits of knowledge and experience; and (3) for planning for the management of situations beyond the advanced practice registered nurse's expertise. The practice of advanced practice registered nursing includes accepting referrals from, consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. **Prescribing.** "Prescribing" means the act of generating a prescription for the preparation of, use of, or manner of using a drug or therapeutic device in accordance with the provisions of section 148.235. Prescribing does not include recommending the use of a drug or

therapeutic device which is not required by the federal Food and Drug Administration to meet the labeling requirements for prescription drugs and devices. Prescribing also does not include recommending or administering a drug or therapeutic device perioperatively for anesthesia care and related services by a certified registered nurse anesthetist.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 17, is amended to read:

Subd. 17. **Prescription.** "Prescription" means a written direction or an oral direction reduced to writing provided to or for an individual patient for the preparation or use of a drug or therapeutic device. In the case of a prescription for a drug, the requirements of section 151.01, subdivisions 16, 16a, and 16b, shall apply.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 17a. **Primary care provider.** "Primary care provider" means a licensed health care provider who acts as the first point of care for comprehensive health maintenance and promotion, preventive care, and undiagnosed health concerns and who provides continuing care of varied health conditions not limited by cause, organ systems, or diagnosis.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 21, is amended to read:

Subd. 21. **Registered nurse anesthetist practice.** (a) "Registered nurse anesthetist practice" means the provision of anesthesia care and related services ~~within the context of collaborative management~~; including:

(1) selecting, obtaining, and administering drugs and therapeutic devices to facilitate diagnostic, therapeutic, and surgical procedures ~~upon request, assignment, or referral by a patient's physician, dentist, or podiatrist~~;

(2) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(3) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies;

(4) providing anesthesia and analgesia for acute and chronic pain symptoms through noninvasive and interventional therapies, including the use of image-guided technology as needed for a selected therapy; and

(5) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

(b) Nurse anesthesia practice does not include:

(1) surgical implantation of intrathecal infusion pumps or spinal cord stimulators;

(2) surgical implantation of cements or plastics near or around the spinal column;

(3) nontraumatic laser disectomy;

(4) nontraumatic endoscopic disectomy;

(5) percutaneous vertebroplasties;

(6) percutaneous vertebral augmentation procedures; and

(7) percutaneous kyphoplasties.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 22a. **Roles of advanced practice registered nurses.** "Role" means one of four recognized advanced practice registered nurse roles: certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA); certified nurse-midwife (CNM); certified clinical nurse specialist (CNS); or certified nurse practitioner (CNP).

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.181, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** The Board of Nursing consists of 16 members appointed by the governor, each of whom must be a resident of this state. Eight members must be registered nurses, each of whom must have graduated from an approved school of nursing, must be licensed and currently registered as a registered nurse in this state, and must have had at least five years experience in nursing practice, nursing administration, or nursing education immediately preceding appointment. One of the eight must have had at least two years executive or teaching experience in a baccalaureate degree nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251 during the five years immediately preceding appointment, one of the eight must have had at least two years executive or teaching experience in an associate degree nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251 during the five years immediately preceding appointment, one of the eight must be practicing professional nursing in a nursing home at the time of appointment, one of the eight must have had at least two years executive or teaching experience in a practical nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251 during the five years immediately preceding appointment, and one of the eight must be licensed and have national certification or recertification as a registered nurse anesthetist, nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, or clinical nurse specialist. Four of the eight must have had at least five years of experience in nursing practice or nursing administration immediately preceding appointment. Four members must be licensed practical nurses, each of whom must have graduated from an approved school of nursing, must be licensed and currently registered as a licensed practical nurse in this state, and must have had at least five years experience in nursing practice immediately preceding appointment. The remaining four members must be public members as defined by section 214.02.

A member may be reappointed but may not serve more than two full terms consecutively. The governor shall attempt to make appointments to the board that reflect the geography of the state. The board members who are nurses should as a whole reflect the broad mix of practice types and sites of nurses practicing in Minnesota.

Membership terms, compensation of members, removal of members, the filling of membership vacancies, and fiscal year and reporting requirements are as provided in sections 214.07 to 214.09. Any nurse on the board who during incumbency permanently ceases to be actively engaged in the practice of nursing or otherwise becomes disqualified for board membership is automatically removed, and the governor shall fill the vacancy. The provision of staff, administrative services, and office space; the review and processing of complaints; the setting of board fees; and other provisions relating to board operations are as provided in sections 148.171 to 148.285 and chapter 214. Each member of the board shall file with the secretary of state the constitutional oath of office before beginning the term of office.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.191, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Powers.** (a) The board is authorized to adopt and, from time to time, revise rules not inconsistent with the law, as may be necessary to enable it to carry into effect the provisions of

sections 148.171 to 148.285. The board shall prescribe by rule curricula and standards for schools and courses preparing persons for licensure under sections 148.171 to 148.285. It shall conduct or provide for surveys of such schools and courses at such times as it may deem necessary. It shall approve such schools and courses as meet the requirements of sections 148.171 to 148.285 and board rules. It shall examine, license, and renew the license of duly qualified applicants. It shall hold examinations at least once in each year at such time and place as it may determine. It shall by rule adopt, evaluate, and periodically revise, as necessary, requirements for licensure and for registration and renewal of registration as defined in section 148.231. It shall maintain a record of all persons licensed by the board to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing and ~~all registered nurses who hold Minnesota licensure and registration and are certified as advanced practice registered nurses~~. It shall cause the prosecution of all persons violating sections 148.171 to 148.285 and have power to incur such necessary expense therefor. It shall register public health nurses who meet educational and other requirements established by the board by rule, including payment of a fee. It shall have power to issue subpoenas, and to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of all necessary documents and other evidentiary material. Any board member may administer oaths to witnesses, or take their affirmation. It shall keep a record of all its proceedings.

(b) The board shall have access to hospital, nursing home, and other medical records of a patient cared for by a nurse under review. If the board does not have a written consent from a patient permitting access to the patient's records, the nurse or facility shall delete any data in the record that identifies the patient before providing it to the board. The board shall have access to such other records as reasonably requested by the board to assist the board in its investigation. Nothing herein may be construed to allow access to any records protected by section 145.64. The board shall maintain any records obtained pursuant to this paragraph as investigative data under chapter 13.

(c) The board may accept and expend grants or gifts of money or in-kind services from a person, a public or private entity, or any other source for purposes consistent with the board's role and within the scope of its statutory authority.

(d) The board may accept registration fees for meetings and conferences conducted for the purposes of board activities that are within the scope of its authority.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.211, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. **Advanced practice registered nurse licensure.** (a) Effective January 1, 2016, no advanced practice nurse shall practice as an advanced practice registered nurse unless the advanced practice nurse is licensed by the board under this section.

(b) An applicant for a license to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) shall apply to the board in a format prescribed by the board and pay a fee in an amount determined under section 148.243.

(c) To be eligible for licensure an applicant:

(1) must hold a current Minnesota professional nursing license or demonstrate eligibility for licensure as a registered nurse in this state;

(2) must not hold an encumbered license as a registered nurse in any state or territory;

(3) must have completed a graduate level APRN program accredited by a nursing or nursing-related accrediting body that is recognized by the United States Secretary of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as acceptable to the board. The education must be in one of the four APRN roles for at least one population focus;

(4) must be currently certified by a national certifying body recognized by the board in the APRN role and population foci appropriate to educational preparation;

(5) must report any criminal conviction, nolo contendere plea, Alford Plea, or other plea arrangement in lieu of conviction; and

(6) must not have committed any acts or omissions which are grounds for disciplinary action in another jurisdiction or, if these acts have been committed and would be grounds for disciplinary action as set forth in section 148.261, the board has found, after investigation, that sufficient restitution has been made.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.211, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1b. **Advanced practice registered nurse grandfather provision.** (a) The board shall issue a license to an applicant who does not meet the education requirements in subdivision 1a, paragraph (c), clause (3), if the applicant:

(1) is recognized by the board to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in this state on July 1, 2015;

(2) submits an application to the board in a format prescribed by the board and the applicable fee as determined under section 148.243 by January 1, 2016; and

(3) meets the requirements under subdivision 1a, paragraph (c), clauses (1), (2), (4), (5), and (6).

(b) An advanced practice registered nurse licensed under this subdivision shall maintain all practice privileges provided to licensed advanced practice registered nurses under this chapter.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.211, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Licensure by endorsement.** (a) The board shall issue a license to practice professional nursing or practical nursing without examination to an applicant who has been duly licensed or registered as a nurse under the laws of another state, territory, or country, if in the opinion of the board the applicant has the qualifications equivalent to the qualifications required in this state as stated in subdivision 1, all other laws not inconsistent with this section, and rules promulgated by the board.

(b) Effective January 1, 2016, an applicant for advanced practice registered nurse licensure by endorsement is eligible for licensure if the applicant meets the requirements in paragraph (a) and demonstrates:

(1) current national certification or recertification in the advanced role and population focus area; and

(2) compliance with the advanced practice nursing educational requirements that were in effect in Minnesota at the time the advanced practice registered nurse completed the advanced practice nursing education program.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.231, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Registration.** (a) Every person licensed to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing must maintain with the board a current registration for practice as a an advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, or licensed practical nurse which must be renewed at regular intervals established by the board by rule. No registration shall be issued by the board to a nurse until the nurse has submitted satisfactory evidence of compliance with the procedures and minimum requirements established by the board.

The fee for periodic registration for practice as a nurse shall be determined by the board by law. (b) Upon receipt of the application and the required fees, as determined under section 148.243, the board shall verify the application and the evidence of completion of continuing education requirements in effect, and ~~thereupon~~ issue to the nurse registration for the next renewal period.

(c) An applicant for advanced practice registered nursing (APRN) renewal must provide evidence of current certification or recertification in the appropriate APRN role in at least one population focus by a nationally accredited certifying body recognized by the board.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.231, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Failure to register.** Any person licensed under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 who fails to register within the required period shall not be entitled to practice nursing in this state as an advanced practice registered nurse, a registered nurse, or a licensed practical nurse.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.231, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Reregistration.** A person whose registration has lapsed desiring to resume practice shall make application for reregistration, submit satisfactory evidence of compliance with the procedures and requirements established by the board, and pay the reregistration fee for the current period to the board. A penalty fee shall be required from a person who practiced nursing without current registration. Thereupon, registration shall be issued to the person who shall immediately be placed on the practicing list as an advanced practice registered nurse, a registered nurse, or a licensed practical nurse.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.233, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Advanced practice registered nurse.** ~~An advanced practice registered nurse certified as a certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist shall use the appropriate designation: RN,CNS; RN,CNM; RN,CNP; or RN,CRNA for personal identification and in documentation of services provided. Identification of educational degrees and specialty fields may be added.~~ (a) Only those persons who hold a current license to practice advanced practice registered nursing in this state may use the title advanced practice registered nurse with the role designation of certified registered nurse anesthetist, certified nurse-midwife, certified clinical nurse specialist, or certified nurse practitioner.

(b) An advanced practice registered nurse shall use the appropriate designation: APRN, CNS; APRN, CNM; APRN, CNP; or APRN, CRNA for personal identification and in documentation of services provided. Identification of educational degrees and specialty fields may be added.

(c) When providing nursing care, an advanced practice registered nurse shall provide clear identification of the appropriate advanced practice registered nurse designation.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.234, is amended to read:

**148.234 STATE BOUNDARIES CONSIDERATION.**

A nurse may perform ~~medical~~ patient care procedures and techniques at the direction of a physician, a podiatrist, ~~or~~ a dentist, or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed in another state, United States territory, or Canadian province if the physician, podiatrist, ~~or~~ dentist, or advanced practice registered nurse gave the direction after examining the patient and issued the direction in that state, United States territory, or Canadian province.

Nothing in this section allows a nurse to perform a ~~medical procedure~~ patient care procedure or technique at the direction of a physician, a podiatrist, ~~or~~ a dentist, or an advanced practice registered nurse that is illegal in this state.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.235, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7a. **Diagnosis, prescribing, and ordering.** Advanced practice registered nurses are authorized to:

(1) diagnose, prescribe, and institute therapy or referrals of patients to health care agencies and providers;

(2) prescribe, procure, sign for, record, administer, and dispense over-the-counter, legend, and controlled substances, including sample drugs; and

(3) plan and initiate a therapeutic regimen that includes ordering and prescribing durable medical devices and equipment, nutrition, diagnostic, and supportive services including, but not limited to, home health care, hospice, physical, and occupational therapy.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.235, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7b. **Drug Enforcement Administration requirements.** (a) Advanced practice registered nurses must:

(1) comply with federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) requirements related to controlled substances; and

(2) file any and all of the nurse's DEA registrations and numbers with the board.

(b) The board shall maintain current records of all advanced practice registered nurses with DEA registration and numbers.

Sec. 27. **[148.237] PAIN INTERVENTION THERAPIES.**

(a) The implementation of nonsurgical pain intervention therapies may only be provided upon referral by a physician, dentist, podiatrist, physician assistant, chiropractor, or advanced practice registered nurse to a licensed registered nurse anesthetist who has exhibited the requisite knowledge and competency by submitting to the board the following:

(1) documented completion of a postgraduate study program in advanced pain management therapies and image-guided technology that is acceptable to the board; or

(2) an advanced pain management specialty certification by a nationally or regionally accredited organization that is acceptable to the board.



(b) A registered nurse anesthetist who does not meet the education and certification requirements specified in this section by January 1, 2016, but who has been providing advanced pain management therapies prior to December 31, 2015, may continue to provide these therapies if the registered nurse anesthetist provides the board with documentation of practice in these therapies within the two-year period prior to December 31, 2015.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.251, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Initial approval.** An institution desiring to conduct a nursing program shall apply to the board and submit evidence that:

(1) It is prepared to provide a program of theory and practice in advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing that meets the program approval standards adopted by the board. Instruction and required experience may be obtained in one or more institutions or agencies outside the applying institution as long as the nursing program retains accountability for all clinical and nonclinical teaching.

(2) It is prepared to meet other standards established by law and by the board.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.261, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Grounds listed.** The board may deny, revoke, suspend, limit, or condition the license and registration of any person to practice advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing under sections 148.171 to 148.285, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or applicant as described in section 148.262. The following are grounds for disciplinary action:

(1) Failure to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfy the requirements for a license contained in sections 148.171 to 148.285 or rules of the board. In the case of a person applying for a license, the burden of proof is upon the applicant to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfaction of the requirements.

(2) Employing fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a permit, license, or registration certificate to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing or attempting to subvert the licensing examination process. Conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the licensing examination process includes, but is not limited to:

(i) conduct that violates the security of the examination materials, such as removing examination materials from the examination room or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination;

(ii) conduct that violates the standard of test administration, such as communicating with another examinee during administration of the examination, copying another examinee's answers, permitting another examinee to copy one's answers, or possessing unauthorized materials; or

(iii) impersonating an examinee or permitting an impersonator to take the examination on one's own behalf.

(3) Conviction of a felony or gross misdemeanor reasonably related to the practice of professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing. Conviction as used in this subdivision includes a conviction of an offense that if committed in this state would be considered a felony or gross misdemeanor without regard to its designation elsewhere, or a criminal proceeding

where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or not entered.

(4) Revocation, suspension, limitation, conditioning, or other disciplinary action against the person's professional or practical nursing license or advanced practice registered nursing credential, in another state, territory, or country; failure to report to the board that charges regarding the person's nursing license or other credential are pending in another state, territory, or country; or having been refused a license or other credential by another state, territory, or country.

(5) Failure to or inability to perform professional or practical nursing as defined in section 148.171, subdivision 14 or 15, with reasonable skill and safety, including failure of a registered nurse to supervise or a licensed practical nurse to monitor adequately the performance of acts by any person working at the nurse's direction.

(6) Engaging in unprofessional conduct, including, but not limited to, a departure from or failure to conform to board rules of professional or practical nursing practice that interpret the statutory definition of professional or practical nursing as well as provide criteria for violations of the statutes, or, if no rule exists, to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing professional or practical nursing practice, or any nursing practice that may create unnecessary danger to a patient's life, health, or safety. Actual injury to a patient need not be established under this clause.

(7) Failure of an advanced practice registered nurse to practice with reasonable skill and safety or departure from or failure to conform to standards of acceptable and prevailing advanced practice registered nursing.

(8) Delegating or accepting the delegation of a nursing function or a prescribed health care function when the delegation or acceptance could reasonably be expected to result in unsafe or ineffective patient care.

(9) Actual or potential inability to practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or any other material, or as a result of any mental or physical condition.

(10) Adjudication as mentally incompetent, mentally ill, a chemically dependent person, or a person dangerous to the public by a court of competent jurisdiction, within or without this state.

(11) Engaging in any unethical conduct, including, but not limited to, conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, or demonstrating a willful or careless disregard for the health, welfare, or safety of a patient. Actual injury need not be established under this clause.

(12) Engaging in conduct with a patient that is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual, or in any verbal behavior that is seductive or sexually demeaning to a patient, or engaging in sexual exploitation of a patient or former patient.

(13) Obtaining money, property, or services from a patient, other than reasonable fees for services provided to the patient, through the use of undue influence, harassment, duress, deception, or fraud.

(14) Revealing a privileged communication from or relating to a patient except when otherwise required or permitted by law.

(15) Engaging in abusive or fraudulent billing practices, including violations of federal Medicare and Medicaid laws or state medical assistance laws.

(16) Improper management of patient records, including failure to maintain adequate patient records, to comply with a patient's request made pursuant to sections 144.291 to 144.298, or to furnish a patient record or report required by law.

(17) Knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing an unlicensed person to engage in the unlawful practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing.

(18) Violating a rule adopted by the board, an order of the board, or a state or federal law relating to the practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing, or a state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law.

(19) Knowingly providing false or misleading information that is directly related to the care of that patient unless done for an accepted therapeutic purpose such as the administration of a placebo.

(20) Aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:

(i) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;

(ii) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;

(iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or

(iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.

(21) Practicing outside the scope of practice authorized by section 148.171, subdivision 5, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, or 21.

~~(22) Practicing outside the specific field of nursing practice for which an advanced practice registered nurse is certified unless the practice is authorized under section 148.284.~~

~~(23)~~ (22) Making a false statement or knowingly providing false information to the board, failing to make reports as required by section 148.263, or failing to cooperate with an investigation of the board as required by section 148.265.

~~(24)~~ (23) Engaging in false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading advertising.

~~(25)~~ (24) Failure to inform the board of the person's certification or recertification status as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified clinical nurse specialist.

~~(26)~~ (25) Engaging in clinical nurse specialist practice, nurse-midwife practice, nurse practitioner practice, or registered nurse anesthetist practice without a license and current certification or recertification by a national nurse certification organization acceptable to the board; ~~except during the period between completion of an advanced practice registered nurse course of study and certification, not to exceed six months or as authorized by the board.~~

~~(27)~~ (26) Engaging in conduct that is prohibited under section 145.412.

~~(28)~~ (27) Failing to report employment to the board as required by section 148.211, subdivision 2a, or knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing a person to fail to report as required by section 148.211, subdivision 2a.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.262, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Forms of disciplinary action.** When the board finds that grounds for disciplinary action exist under section 148.261, subdivision 1, it may take one or more of the following actions:

- (1) deny the license, registration, or registration renewal;
- (2) revoke the license;
- (3) suspend the license;
- (4) impose limitations on the nurse's practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing including, but not limited to, limitation of scope of practice or the requirement of practice under supervision;
- (5) impose conditions on the retention of the license including, but not limited to, the imposition of retraining or rehabilitation requirements or the conditioning of continued practice on demonstration of knowledge or skills by appropriate examination, monitoring, or other review;
- (6) impose a civil penalty not exceeding \$10,000 for each separate violation, the amount of the civil penalty to be fixed as to deprive the nurse of any economic advantage gained by reason of the violation charged, to reimburse the board for the cost of counsel, investigation, and proceeding, and to discourage repeated violations;
- (7) order the nurse to provide unremunerated service;
- (8) censure or reprimand the nurse; or
- (9) any other action justified by the facts in the case.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.262, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Automatic suspension.** Unless the board orders otherwise, a license to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing is automatically suspended if:

- (1) a guardian of a nurse is appointed by order of a court under sections 524.5-101 to 524.5-502;
- (2) the nurse is committed by order of a court under chapter 253B; or
- (3) the nurse is determined to be mentally incompetent, mentally ill, chemically dependent, or a person dangerous to the public by a court of competent jurisdiction within or without this state.

The license remains suspended until the nurse is restored to capacity by a court and, upon petition by the nurse, the suspension is terminated by the board after a hearing or upon agreement between the board and the nurse.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.262, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Reissuance.** The board may reinstate and reissue a license or registration certificate to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing, but as a condition may impose any disciplinary or corrective measure that it might originally have imposed. Any person whose

license or registration has been revoked, suspended, or limited may have the license reinstated and a new registration issued when, in the discretion of the board, the action is warranted, provided that the person shall be required by the board to pay the costs of the proceedings resulting in the revocation, suspension, or limitation of the license or registration certificate and reinstatement of the license or registration certificate, and to pay the fee for the current registration period. The cost of proceedings shall include, but not be limited to, the cost paid by the board to the Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General for legal and investigative services, the costs of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, board staff time, travel, and expenses, and board members' per diem reimbursements, travel costs, and expenses.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.271, is amended to read:

**148.271 EXEMPTIONS.**

The provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 shall not prohibit:

- (1) The furnishing of nursing assistance in an emergency.
- (2) The practice of advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing by any legally qualified advanced practice, registered, or licensed practical nurse of another state who is employed by the United States government or any bureau, division, or agency thereof while in the discharge of official duties.
- (3) The practice of any profession or occupation licensed by the state, other than advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing, by any person duly licensed to practice the profession or occupation, or the performance by a person of any acts properly coming within the scope of the profession, occupation, or license.
- (4) The provision of a nursing or nursing-related service by a nursing assistant who has been delegated the specific function and is supervised by a registered nurse or monitored by a licensed practical nurse.
- (5) The care of the sick with or without compensation when done in a nursing home covered by the provisions of section 144A.09, subdivision 1.
- (6) Professional nursing practice or advanced practice registered nursing practice by a registered nurse or practical nursing practice by a licensed practical nurse licensed in another state or territory who is in Minnesota as a student enrolled in a formal, structured course of study, such as a course leading to a higher degree, certification in a nursing specialty, or to enhance skills in a clinical field, while the student is practicing in the course.
- (7) Professional or practical nursing practice by a student practicing under the supervision of an instructor while the student is enrolled in a nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251.
- (8) Advanced practice registered nursing as defined in section 148.171, subdivisions 5, 10, 11, 13, and 21, by a registered nurse who is licensed and currently registered in Minnesota or another United States jurisdiction and who is enrolled as a student in a formal graduate education program leading to eligibility for certification and licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse; ~~or by a registered nurse licensed and currently registered in Minnesota who has completed an advanced practice registered nurse course of study and is awaiting certification, the period not to exceed six months.~~

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.281, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Violations described.** It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, firm, or association, to:

(1) sell or fraudulently obtain or furnish any nursing diploma, license or record, or aid or abet therein;

(2) practice advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub> or practical nursing; or practice as a public health nurse, or practice as a certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist under cover of any diploma, permit, license, registration certificate, advanced practice credential, or record illegally or fraudulently obtained or signed or issued unlawfully or under fraudulent representation;

(3) practice advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub> or practical nursing unless the person has been issued a temporary permit under the provisions of section 148.212 or is duly licensed and currently registered to do so under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285;

(4) use the professional title nurse unless duly licensed to practice advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub> or practical nursing under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285, except as authorized by the board by rule;

(5) use any abbreviation or other designation tending to imply licensure as ~~a~~ an advanced practice registered nurse, a registered nurse<sub>2</sub> or a licensed practical nurse unless duly licensed and currently registered so to practice advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub> or practical nursing under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 except as authorized by the board by rule;

(6) use any title, abbreviation, or other designation tending to imply certification as a certified registered nurse as defined in section 148.171, subdivision 22, unless duly certified by a national nurse certification organization;

(7) use any abbreviation or other designation tending to imply registration as a public health nurse unless duly registered by the board;

(8) practice advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub>, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing in a manner prohibited by the board in any limitation of a license or registration issued under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285;

(9) practice advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub>, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing during the time a license or current registration issued under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 shall be suspended or revoked;

(10) conduct a nursing program for the education of persons to become advanced practice registered nurses, registered nurses<sub>2</sub> or licensed practical nurses unless the program has been approved by the board; and

(11) knowingly employ persons in the practice of advanced practice, professional<sub>2</sub> or practical nursing who have not been issued a current permit, license, or registration certificate to practice as a nurse in this state; ~~and~~.

~~(12) knowingly employ a person in advanced practice registered nursing unless the person meets the standards and practices of sections 148.171 to 148.285.~~

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.281, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. **Penalty; advanced practice registered nurses.** In addition to subdivision 2, an advanced practice registered nurse who practices advanced practice registered nursing without a current license and certification or recertification shall pay a penalty fee of \$200 for the first month or part of a month and an additional \$100 for each subsequent month or parts of months of practice. The amount of the penalty fee shall be calculated from the first day the advanced practice registered nurse practiced without a current advanced practice registered nurse license and certification to the last day of practice without a current license and certification, or from the first day the advanced practice registered nurse practiced without a current license and certification on file with the board until the day the current license and certification is filed with the board.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.283, is amended to read:

**148.283 UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL, ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED, AND PRACTICAL NURSING.**

The practice of advanced practice, professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing by any person who has not been licensed to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285, or whose license has been suspended or revoked, or whose registration or national credential has expired, is hereby declared to be inimical to the public health and welfare and to constitute a public nuisance. Upon a complaint being made ~~thereof~~ by the board; or any prosecuting officer, and upon a proper showing of the facts, the district court of the county where such practice occurred may enjoin such acts and practice. Such injunction proceeding shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, all other penalties and remedies provided by law.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.01, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. **Practitioner.** "Practitioner" means a licensed doctor of medicine, licensed doctor of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, licensed doctor of dentistry, licensed doctor of optometry, licensed podiatrist, or licensed veterinarian, or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse. For purposes of sections 151.15, subdivision 4; 151.37, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b), (e), and (f); and 151.461, "practitioner" also means a physician assistant authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under chapter 147A, ~~or an advanced practice nurse authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under section 148.235.~~ For purposes of sections 151.15, subdivision 4; 151.37, subdivision 2, paragraph (b); and 151.461, "practitioner" also means a dental therapist authorized to dispense and administer under chapter 150A.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 152.12, is amended to read:

**152.12 DOCTORS HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS MAY PRESCRIBE.**

Subdivision 1. **Prescribing, dispensing, administering controlled substances in Schedules II through V.** A licensed doctor of medicine, a doctor of osteopathy, duly licensed to practice medicine, a doctor of dental surgery, a doctor of dental medicine, a licensed doctor of podiatry, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse, or a licensed doctor of optometry limited to Schedules IV and V, and in the course of professional practice only, may prescribe, administer, and dispense a controlled substance included in Schedules II through V of section 152.02, may cause the same to be administered by a nurse, an intern or an assistant under the direction and supervision of the doctor, and may cause a person who is an appropriately certified and licensed health care professional to

prescribe and administer the same within the expressed legal scope of the person's practice as defined in Minnesota Statutes.

Subd. 2. **Doctor of veterinary medicine.** A licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, in good faith, and in the course of professional practice only, and not for use by a human being, may prescribe, administer, and dispense a controlled substance included in Schedules II through V of section 152.02, and may cause the same to be administered by an assistant under the direction and supervision of the doctor.

Subd. 3. **Research project use of controlled substances.** Any qualified person may use controlled substances in the course of a bona fide research project but cannot administer or dispense such drugs to human beings unless such drugs are prescribed, dispensed and administered by a person lawfully authorized to do so. Every person who engages in research involving the use of such substances shall apply annually for registration by the state Board of Pharmacy and shall pay any applicable fee specified in section 151.065, provided that such registration shall not be required if the person is covered by and has complied with federal laws covering such research projects.

Subd. 4. **Sale of controlled substances not prohibited for certain persons and entities.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the sale to, or the possession of, a controlled substance in Schedule II, III, IV or V by: Registered drug wholesalers, registered manufacturers, registered pharmacies, or any licensed hospital or other licensed institutions wherein sick and injured persons are cared for or treated, or bona fide hospitals wherein animals are treated; or by licensed pharmacists, licensed doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, licensed doctors of dental surgery, licensed doctors of dental medicine, licensed doctors of podiatry, licensed doctors of optometry limited to Schedules IV and V, or licensed doctors of veterinary medicine when such practitioners use controlled substances within the course of their professional practice only.

Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the possession of a controlled substance in Schedule II, III, IV or V by an employee or agent of a registered drug wholesaler, registered manufacturer, or registered pharmacy, while acting in the course of employment; by a patient of a licensed doctor of medicine, a doctor of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, a licensed doctor of dental surgery, a licensed doctor of dental medicine, or a licensed doctor of optometry limited to Schedules IV and V; or by the owner of an animal for which a controlled substance has been prescribed by a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, when such controlled substances are dispensed according to law.

Subd. 5. **Analytical laboratory not prohibited from providing anonymous analysis service.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit an analytical laboratory from conducting an anonymous analysis service when such laboratory is registered by the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration, nor prohibit the possession of a controlled substance by an employee or agent of such analytical laboratory while acting in the course of employment.

Sec. 39. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 148.171, subdivision 6; 148.235, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 4, 4a, 4b, 6, and 7; and 148.284, are repealed.

Sec. 40. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 39 are effective January 1, 2016."



Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to health; making changes to dental licensing provisions; improving access to health care delivered by advanced practice registered nurses; providing penalties; modifying grounds for disciplinary action by the Board of Nursing; modifying the health professionals services program; modifying the compensation paid to the health-related licensing board members; making changes to the Minnesota prescription monitoring program; adding and modifying definitions; changing the requirements for pharmacist participation in immunizations; changing the powers and duties of the Board of Pharmacy; changing licensing requirements for businesses regulated by the Board of Pharmacy; clarifying requirements for compounding; allowing certain educational institutions to purchase legend drugs in limited circumstances; allowing certain entities to handle drugs in preparation for emergency use; clarifying the requirement that drug manufacturers report certain payments to the Board of Pharmacy; adding certain substances to the schedules for controlled substances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 148.171, subdivisions 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 21, by adding subdivisions; 148.181, subdivision 1; 148.191, subdivision 2; 148.211, subdivision 2, by adding subdivisions; 148.231, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 148.233, subdivision 2; 148.234; 148.235, by adding subdivisions; 148.251, subdivision 1; 148.261, subdivisions 1, 4, by adding a subdivision; 148.262, subdivisions 1, 2, 4; 148.271; 148.281, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 148.283; 150A.01, subdivision 8a; 150A.06, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1c, 1d, 2, 2a, 2d, 3, 8; 150A.091, subdivisions 3, 8, 16; 150A.10; 151.01; 151.06; 151.211; 151.26; 151.34; 151.35; 151.361, subdivision 2; 151.37, as amended; 151.44; 151.58, subdivisions 2, 3, 5; 152.02, subdivision 8b; 152.12; 152.126, as amended; 214.09, subdivision 3; 214.32, by adding a subdivision; 214.33, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 151.252, by adding a subdivision; 152.02, subdivision 2; 364.09; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 148; 151; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 148.171, subdivision 6; 148.235, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 4, 4a, 4b, 6, 7; 148.284."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Bonoff from the Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2771:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; requiring the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to develop a plan for timely degree completion for certain transfer students.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

**"Section 1. MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES BACCALAUREATE DEGREE COMPLETION PLAN.**

The Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities shall develop a plan to implement multi-campus articulation agreements that lead to baccalaureate degree completion upon earning the number of credits required for the degree minus 60 credits at a system university after transfer to the system university by a student with an associate in arts degree, associate of science degree, or an associate of fine arts (AFA) degree from a system college. The board shall report on this plan to the legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over higher education finance and policy by March 15, 2015."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Bonoff from the Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 1975:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; regulating travel abroad study programs used for postsecondary education credit; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. [136A.89] STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given them.

(b) "Postsecondary institution" means an institution that meets the eligibility requirements under section 136A.103 to participate in state financial aid programs.

(c) "Program" means a study abroad program offered or approved for credit by a postsecondary institution in which program participants travel outside of the United States in connection with an educational experience.

Subd. 2. **Report.** (a) A postsecondary institution, must file by November 1 of each year a report on its programs with the office. The report must contain the following information from the previous academic year, including summer terms:

(1) deaths of program participants that occurred during program participation as a result of program participation; and

(2) accidents and illnesses that occurred during program participation as a result of program participation and that required hospitalization.

Information reported under clause (1) may be supplemented by a brief explanatory statement.

(b) A postsecondary institution must report to the office annually by November 1 whether its program complies with health and safety standards set by the Forum on Education Abroad or similar study abroad program standard setting agency.

Subd. 3. **Office of Higher Education; publication of program information.** (a) The office must publish the reports required by subdivision 2, on its Web site in a format that facilitates identifying information related to a particular postsecondary institution.

(b) The office shall publish on its Web site the best available information by country on sexual assaults and other criminal acts affecting study abroad program participants during program participation. This information shall not be limited to programs subject to this section.

Subd. 4. **Program material.** A postsecondary institution must include in its written materials provided to prospective program participants a link to the office Web site stating that program health and safety information is available at the Web site.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2014, provided that the initial reports under subdivision 2 are due November 1, 2015.

**Sec. 2. STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM; ASSESSMENT OF APPROPRIATE REGULATION.**

The Office of Higher Education shall, using existing staff and budget, assess the appropriate state regulation of postsecondary study abroad programs. The assessment must be based on a balanced approach of protecting the health and safety of program participants and maintaining the opportunity of students to study abroad. The office shall report the results of its assessment with any legislative recommendation by February 1, 2015, to the committees of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over higher education."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2490:** A bill for an act relating to labor and employment; providing employee protections in joint powers agreements; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 179A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. **[179A.60] JOINT POWERS AGREEMENTS.**

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For the purposes of this section, "entity" means any organization, except for service delivery authorities created under section 402A.35, acting on behalf of two or more home rule charter or statutory cities, school districts, counties, or other governmental units or boards under any law providing for joint and cooperative action between governmental units or bodies. Governmental units that form an entity are members of the entity.

Subd. 2. **Application.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 179A.12 or any other law, this section governs the initial certification and decertification, if any, of exclusive representatives for an entity. Employees of an entity are public employees and joint powers entities are public employers under section 179A.03.

Subd. 3. **Certification and decertification.** The commissioner of the Bureau of Mediation Services shall follow the process in section 179A.102, subdivisions 1 to 4, in determining the initial certification and decertification, if any, of exclusive representatives for an appropriate unit of employees of a newly formed joint powers entity.

Subd. 4. **Existing collective bargaining agreements.** The terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements covering employees of members of the new joint powers entity prior to their employment by the joint powers entity shall govern the employment of employees who become employees of a joint powers entity until a successor agreement becomes effective after the formation of the joint powers entity, and shall be enforced by the exclusive representative certified to represent the entity member's employees until a new exclusive representative is certified.

Subd. 5. **Contract negotiations and administration.** The exclusive representative of employees of a new joint powers entity shall upon certification be responsible to negotiate a new collective bargaining agreement, file grievances, and otherwise administer the prior collective

bargaining agreement until a new collective bargaining agreement is agreed to, and to receive dues or fair share fees.

Subd. 6. **Investigation and discipline.** If an employee who is transferred from the employment of a member to the employment of a joint powers entity is under investigation by the member of the entity at the time of the transfer and would be subject to discipline by the member of the entity, the new joint powers entity may discipline the employee for just cause and the employee's union may file a grievance under the collective bargaining agreement the employee was covered by as an employee of a member of the entity, or the new collective bargaining agreement after it is agreed to.

Subd. 7. **Entity not created.** Notwithstanding this section, a contract between two local government units does not create a joint powers entity under this section, if under the contract, no employee's employment is terminated and employees continue to work for the same employer, continue to be covered by the same collective bargaining agreement, and continue to do the same or similar work.

Subd. 8. **Employee personnel files.** A new entity shall be entitled to receive from a member of the entity, at no charge, copies of all public data maintained by the member regarding all employees of the member who become employees of the entity.

Subd. 9. **Seniority.** Upon creation of a new entity, seniority shall be based on the employee's continuous service with a member of the entity and the employee's service with the entity.

Subd. 10. **Layoffs and recalls.** Layoffs and recalls shall be based on seniority as defined herein. Recall rights shall continue to apply until a new collective bargaining agreement is agreed to by the parties.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 15, 2015."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2506:** A bill for an act relating to labor; creating the Public Employment Relations Board; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 179A.03, by adding a subdivision; 179A.04, subdivision 3; 179A.051; 179A.06, by adding a subdivision; 179A.10, subdivision 1; 179A.13; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 179A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. **Board.** "Board" means the Public Employment Relations Board under section 179A.041.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.04, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Other duties.** (a) The commissioner shall:

(1) provide mediation services as requested by the parties until the parties reach agreement, and may continue to assist parties after they have submitted their final positions for interest arbitration;

(2) issue notices, subpoenas, and orders required by law to carry out duties under sections 179A.01 to 179A.25;

(3) assist the parties in formulating petitions, notices, and other papers required to be filed with the commissioner or the board;

(4) conduct elections;

(5) certify the final results of any election or other voting procedure conducted under sections 179A.01 to 179A.25;

(6) adopt rules relating to the administration of this chapter and the conduct of hearings and elections;

(7) receive, catalogue, file, and make available to the public all decisions of arbitrators and panels authorized by sections 179A.01 to 179A.25, all grievance arbitration decisions to the extent the decision is public under section 13.43, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), and the commissioner's orders and decisions;

(8) adopt, subject to chapter 14, a grievance procedure that fulfills the purposes of section 179A.20, subdivision 4, that is available to any employee in a unit not covered by a contractual grievance procedure;

(9) maintain a schedule of state employee classifications or positions assigned to each unit established in section 179A.10, subdivision 2;

(10) collect fees established by rule for empanelment of persons on the labor arbitrator roster maintained by the commissioner or in conjunction with fair share fee challenges. Arbitrator application fees will be \$100 per year for initial applications and renewals effective July 1, 2007;

(11) provide technical support and assistance to voluntary joint labor-management committees established for the purpose of improving relationships between exclusive representatives and employers, at the discretion of the commissioner;

(12) provide to the parties a list of arbitrators as required by section 179A.16, subdivision 4; ~~and~~

(13) maintain a list of up to 60 arbitrators for referral to employers and exclusive representatives for the resolution of grievance or interest disputes. Each person on the list must be knowledgeable about collective bargaining and labor relations in the public sector, well versed in state and federal labor law, and experienced in and knowledgeable about labor arbitration. To the extent practicable, the commissioner shall appoint members to the list so that the list is gender and racially diverse; and

(14) upon request of the board, provide administrative support and other assistance to the board, including assistance in development and adoption of board rules.

(b) From the names provided by representative organizations, the commissioner shall maintain a list of arbitrators to conduct teacher discharge or termination hearings according to section 122A.40 or 122A.41. The persons on the list must meet at least one of the following requirements:

(1) be a former or retired judge;

- (2) be a qualified arbitrator on the list maintained by the bureau;
- (3) be a present, former, or retired administrative law judge; or
- (4) be a neutral individual who is learned in the law and admitted to practice in Minnesota, who is qualified by experience to conduct these hearings, and who is without bias to either party.

Each year, education Minnesota shall provide a list of up to 14 names and the Minnesota School Boards Association a list of up to 14 names of persons to be on the list. The commissioner may adopt rules about maintaining and updating the list.

**Sec. 3. [179A.041] PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD; POWER, AUTHORITY, AND DUTIES.**

**Subdivision 1. Membership.** The Public Employment Relations Board is established with three members. One member shall be an officer or employee of an exclusive representative of public employees and shall be appointed by the governor; one shall be representative of public employers and shall be appointed by the governor; and one shall be representative of the public at large and shall be appointed by the other two members. Public employers and employee organizations representing public employees may submit for consideration names of persons representing their interests. The board shall select one of its members to serve as chair for a term beginning July 1 of each year.

**Subd. 2. Alternate members.** (a) The appointing authorities shall appoint alternate members to serve only in the case of a member having a conflict of interest under subdivision 9, as follows:

(1) one alternate, appointed by the governor, who is an officer or employee of an exclusive representative of public employees, to serve as an alternate to the member appointed by the governor who is an officer or employee of an exclusive representative of public employees. This alternate must not be an officer or employee of the same exclusive representative of public employees as the member for whom the alternate serves;

(2) one alternate, appointed by the governor, who is a representative of public employers, to serve as an alternate to the member appointed by the governor who is a representative of public employers. This alternate must not represent the same public employer as the member for whom the alternate serves; and

(3) one alternate, appointed by the member who is an officer or employee of an exclusive representative of public employees and the member who is a representative of public employers, who is not an officer or employee of an exclusive representative of public employees, or a representative of a public employer, to serve as an alternate for the member that represents the public at large.

(b) Each alternate member shall serve a term that is coterminous with the term of the member for whom the alternate member serves as an alternate.

**Subd. 3. Terms; compensation.** The membership terms, compensation, removal of members, and filling of vacancies for members and alternate members shall be as provided in section 15.0575.

**Subd. 4. Rules; meetings.** The board shall adopt rules governing its procedure and shall hold meetings as prescribed in those rules. The chair shall convene and preside at meetings of the board.

**Subd. 5. Powers.** The board shall have the powers and authority required for the board to take the actions assigned to the board under section 179A.13.

Subd. 6. **Appeals.** In addition to the other powers and duties given it by law, the board shall hear and decide appeals from:

(1) recommended decisions and orders relating to an unfair labor practice under section 179A.13; and

(2) determinations of the commissioner under section 179A.12, subdivision 11.

Subd. 7. **Rulemaking.** The board shall adopt rules under chapter 14 governing the presentation of issues and the taking of appeals under subdivision 6. All issues and appeals presented to the board shall be determined upon the record of hearing, except that the board may request additional evidence when necessary or helpful.

Subd. 8. **Employees and contracts.** The board may hire investigators, hearing officers, and other employees as necessary to perform its duties, or may enter into contracts to perform any of the board's duties.

Subd. 9. **Conflict of interest.** A member must disclose any conflict of interest in a case before the board and shall not take any action or vote in the case. The person designated as the recused member's alternate shall serve in place of the member who has a conflict for all actions and votes on the case, unless the alternate has a conflict of interest. If both a member and the member's alternate have a conflict of interest in a case, the appointing authority will appoint a second alternate member, who meets the same requirements as the alternate member and who has no conflict of interest, to take action and vote in the case. A board member or alternate member has a conflict of interest in a case if the member is employed by, an officer of, a member of the governing body of, or a member of a party in the case.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014. The board shall be established and prepared to hear and decide rules under Minnesota Statutes, section 179A.041, subdivision 4, by July 1, 2015.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.051, is amended to read:

**179A.051 APPEALS OF COMMISSIONER'S DECISIONS.**

(a) Decisions of the commissioner relating to supervisory, confidential, essential, and professional employees, appropriateness of a unit, or fair share fee challenges may be reviewed on certiorari by the Court of Appeals. A petition for a writ of certiorari must be filed and served on the other party or parties and the commissioner within 30 days from the date of the mailing of the commissioner's decision. The petition must be served on the other party or parties at the party's or parties' last known address.

(b) Decisions of the commissioner relating to unfair labor practices under section 179A.12, subdivision 11, may be appealed to the board if the appeal is filed with the board and served on all other parties no later than 30 days after service of the commissioner's decision.

**Sec. 5. [179A.052] APPEALS OF BOARD'S DECISIONS.**

Decisions of the board relating to unfair labor practices under section 179A.12, subdivision 11, or 179A.13 including dismissal of unfair labor practice charges, may be reviewed on certiorari by the Court of Appeals. A petition for a writ of certiorari must be filed and served on the other party

or parties and the board within 30 days from the date of the mailing of the board's decision. The petition must be served on the other party or parties at the party's or parties' last known address.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Concerted activity.** Public employees have the right to engage in concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Exclusions.** The commissioner of management and budget shall meet and negotiate with the exclusive representative of each of the units specified in this section, except as provided in section 43A.06, subdivision 1, paragraph (c). The units provided in this section are the only appropriate units for executive branch state employees. The following employees shall be excluded from any appropriate unit:

(1) the positions and classes of positions in the classified and unclassified services defined as managerial by the commissioner of management and budget in accordance with section 43A.18, subdivision 3, and so designated in the official state compensation schedules;

(2) unclassified positions in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities defined as managerial by the Board of Trustees;

(3) positions of physician employees compensated under section 43A.17, subdivision 4;

(4) positions of all unclassified employees appointed by a constitutional officer;

(5) positions in the Bureau of Mediation Services and the Public Employment Relations Board;

(6) positions of employees whose classification is pilot or chief pilot;

(7) administrative law judge and compensation judge positions in the Office of Administrative Hearings; and

(8) positions of all confidential employees.

The governor may upon the unanimous written request of exclusive representatives of units and the commissioner direct that negotiations be conducted for one or more units in a common proceeding or that supplemental negotiations be conducted for portions of a unit or units defined on the basis of appointing authority or geography.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.13, is amended to read:

**179A.13 UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICES.**

Subdivision 1. **Actions.** (a) ~~The practices specified in this section are unfair labor practices. Any employee, employer, employee or employer organization, exclusive representative, or any other person or organization aggrieved by an unfair labor practice as defined in this section may bring an action for injunctive relief and for damages caused by the unfair labor practice in the district court of the county in which the practice is alleged to have occurred. A copy of any complaint alleging an unfair labor practice must be filed with the commissioner at the time it is brought in district court. The party bringing an unfair labor practice action in district court shall also transmit to the commissioner any orders or judgments of the court within ten days of the order or judgment file an unfair labor practice charge with the board.~~



(b) Whenever it is charged that any party has engaged in or is engaging in any unfair labor practice, an investigator designated by the board shall promptly conduct an investigation of the charge. If after the investigation the board finds that the charge involves a material issue of law or fact, the board shall promptly issue a complaint and cause to be served upon the party a complaint stating the charges, accompanied by a notice of hearing before a qualified hearing officer designated by the board at the offices of the bureau or other location as the board deems appropriate, not less than five days nor more than 20 days after serving the complaint, provided that no complaint shall be issued based upon any unfair labor practice occurring more than six months prior to the filing of a charge. A complaint issued under this subdivision may be amended by the board at any time prior to the issuance of an order based thereon. The party who is the subject of the complaint has the right to file an answer to the original or amended complaint prior to hearing and to appear in person or by a representative and give testimony at the place and time fixed in the complaint. In the discretion of the hearing officer conducting the hearing or the board, any other party may be allowed to intervene in the proceeding and to present testimony. The board or designated hearing officers shall not be bound by the rules of evidence applicable to courts, except as to the rules of privilege recognized by law.

(c) Designated investigators must conduct the investigation of charges.

(d) Hearing officers must be licensed to practice law in the state of Minnesota and must conduct the hearings and issue recommended decisions and orders.

(e) The board or its designees shall have the power to issue subpoenas and administer oaths. If any party willfully fails or neglects to appear or testify or to produce books, papers, and records pursuant to the issuance of a subpoena, the board may apply to a court of competent jurisdiction to request that the party be ordered to appear to testify or produce the requested evidence.

(f) A full and complete record shall be kept of all proceedings before the board or designated hearing officer and shall be transcribed by a reporter appointed by the board.

(g) The party on whom the burden of proof rests shall be required to sustain the burden by a preponderance of the evidence.

(h) At any time prior to the close of a hearing, the parties may by mutual agreement request referral to mediation, at which time the commissioner shall appoint a mediator, and the hearing shall be suspended pending the results of the mediation.

(i) If, upon a preponderance of the evidence taken, the hearing officer determines that any party named in the charge has engaged in or is engaging in an unfair labor practice, then a recommended decision and order shall be issued stating findings of fact and conclusions, and requiring the party to cease and desist from the unfair labor practice, to post a cease-and-desist notice in the workplace, and to take action to effectuate the policies of this section, including reinstatement of public employees with back pay and compensatory damages up to three times the amount of actual damages. If back pay is awarded, the award must include interest at the rate of seven percent per annum. The order further may require the party to make reports from time to time, and demonstrate the extent to which the party has complied with the order.

(j) If there is no preponderance of evidence that the party named in the charge has engaged in or is engaging in the unfair labor practice, then the hearing officer shall issue a recommended decision and order stating findings of fact and dismissing the complaint.

(k) Parties may file exceptions to the hearing officer's recommended decision and order with the board no later than 30 days after service of the recommended decision and order. The board shall review the recommended decision and order upon timely filing of exceptions or upon its own motion. If no timely exceptions have been filed, the parties must be deemed to have waived their exceptions. Unless the board reviews the recommended decision and order upon its own motion, it must not be legal precedent and must be final and binding only on the parties to the proceeding as issued in an order issued by the board. If the board does review the recommended decision and order, the board may adopt all, part, or none of the recommended decision and order, depending on the extent to which it is consistent with the record and applicable laws. The board shall issue and serve on all parties its decision and order. The board shall retain jurisdiction over the case to ensure the parties' compliance with the board's order. Unless overturned by the board, the parties must comply with the recommended decision and order.

(l) Until the record has been filed in the court of appeals or district court, the board at any time, upon reasonable notice and in a manner it deems appropriate, may modify or set aside, in whole or in part, any finding or order made or issued by it.

(m) Upon a final order that an unfair labor practice has been committed, the board or the charging party may petition the district court for the enforcement of the order and for appropriate temporary relief or a restraining order. When the board petitions the court, the charging party may intervene as a matter of right.

(n) Whenever it appears that any party has violated a final order of the board issued pursuant to this section, the board must petition the district court for an order directing the party and its officers, agents, servants, successors, and assigns to comply with the order of the board. The board shall be represented in this action by its general counsel, who has been appointed by the board. The court may grant or refuse, in whole or in part, the relief sought, provided that the court also may stay an order of the board pending disposition of the proceedings. The court may punish a violation of its order as in civil contempt.

(o) The board shall have power, upon issuance of an unfair labor practice complaint alleging that a party has engaged in or is engaging in an unfair labor practice, to petition the district court for appropriate temporary relief or a restraining order. Upon the filing of any such petition, the court shall cause notice thereof to be served upon such parties, and thereupon shall have jurisdiction to grant to the board or commissioner temporary relief or a restraining order as it deems appropriate. Nothing in this paragraph precludes a charging party from seeking injunctive relief in district court after filing the unfair labor practice charge.

(p) The proceedings in paragraphs (m), (n), and (o) shall be commenced in the district court for the county in which the unfair labor practice which is the subject of the order or administrative complaint was committed, or where a party alleged to have committed the unfair labor practice resides or transacts business.

(q) The board shall not defer to any grievance and arbitration procedure or other legal process in investigating or deciding any unfair labor practice case, charge, or claim.

Subd. 2. **Employers.** Public employers, their agents and representatives are prohibited from:

(1) interfering, restraining, or coercing employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed in sections 179A.01 to 179A.25;

(2) dominating or interfering with the formation, existence, or administration of any employee organization or contributing other support to it;

(3) discriminating in regard to hire or tenure to encourage or discourage membership in an employee organization;

(4) discharging or otherwise discriminating against an employee because the employee has signed or filed an affidavit, petition, or complaint or given information or testimony under sections 179A.01 to 179A.25;

(5) refusing to meet and negotiate in good faith with the exclusive representative of its employees in an appropriate unit;

(6) refusing to comply with grievance procedures contained in an agreement;

(7) distributing or circulating a blacklist of individuals exercising a legal right or of members of a labor organization for the purpose of preventing blacklisted individuals from obtaining or retaining employment;

(8) violating rules established by the commissioner regulating the conduct of representation elections;

(9) refusing to comply with a valid decision of a binding arbitration panel or arbitrator;

(10) violating or refusing to comply with any lawful order or decision issued by the commissioner or the board;

(11) refusing to provide, upon the request of the exclusive representative, all information pertaining to the public employer's budget both present and proposed, revenues, and other financing information provided that in the executive branch of state government this clause may not be considered contrary to the budgetary requirements of sections 16A.10 and 16A.11; or

(12) granting or offering to grant the status of permanent replacement employee to a person for performing bargaining unit work for the employer during a lockout of employees in an employee organization or during a strike authorized by an employee organization that is an exclusive representative.

Subd. 3. **Employees.** Employee organizations, their agents or representatives, and public employees are prohibited from:

(1) restraining or coercing employees in the exercise of rights provided in sections 179A.01 to 179A.25;

(2) restraining or coercing a public employer in the election of representatives to be employed to meet and negotiate or to adjust grievances;

(3) refusing to meet and negotiate in good faith with a public employer, if the employee organization is the exclusive representative of employees in an appropriate unit;

(4) violating rules established by the commissioner regulating the conduct of representation elections;

(5) refusing to comply with a valid decision of an arbitration panel or arbitrator;

(6) calling, instituting, maintaining, or conducting a strike or boycott against any public employer on account of any jurisdictional controversy;

(7) coercing or restraining any person with the effect to:

(i) force or require any public employer to cease dealing or doing business with any other person;

(ii) force or require a public employer to recognize for representation purposes an employee organization not certified by the commissioner;

(iii) refuse to handle goods or perform services; or

(iv) prevent an employee from providing services to the employer;

(8) committing any act designed to damage or actually damaging physical property or endangering the safety of persons while engaging in a strike;

(9) forcing or requiring any employer to assign particular work to employees in a particular employee organization or in a particular trade, craft, or class rather than to employees in another employee organization or in another trade, craft, or class;

(10) causing or attempting to cause a public employer to pay or deliver or agree to pay or deliver any money or other thing of value, in the nature of an exaction, for services which are not performed or not to be performed;

(11) engaging in an unlawful strike;

(12) picketing which has an unlawful purpose such as secondary boycott;

(13) picketing which unreasonably interferes with the ingress and egress to facilities of the public employer;

(14) seizing or occupying or destroying property of the employer;

(15) violating or refusing to comply with any lawful order or decision issued by the commissioner or the board.

**Sec. 9. APPROPRIATION; INITIAL ASSISTANCE.**

(a) \$125,000 in fiscal year 2015 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Bureau of Mediation Services for purposes of the Public Employment Relations Board under Minnesota Statutes, section 179A.041. This appropriation is added to the base.

(b) The commissioner of the Bureau of Mediation Services must call the first meeting of the board, and must assist the board in its initial operations, including development and adoption of the board's initial rules.

**Sec. 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1, 2, and 4 to 8, are effective July 1, 2015. Section 9 is effective July 1, 2014."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2575:** A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying a proposed constitutional amendment to stop lawmakers from raising their own pay; amending Laws 2013, chapter 124, section 2.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 5, insert:

"Section 1. [15A.0825] LEGISLATIVE SALARY COUNCIL.

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** (a) The Legislative Salary Council consists of the following members:

(1) one person, who is not a judge, from each congressional district, appointed by the chief justice of the Supreme Court; and

(2) one person from each congressional district, appointed by the governor.

(b) If Minnesota has an odd number of congressional districts, the governor and the chief justice must each appoint an at-large member, in addition to a member from each congressional district.

(c) One-half of the members appointed by the governor and one-half of the members appointed by the chief justice must belong to the political party that has the most members in the legislature. One-half of the members appointed by the governor and one-half of the members appointed by the chief justice must belong to the political party that has the second most members in the legislature.

(d) None of the members of the council may be:

(1) a current or former legislator, or the spouse or former spouse of a current or former legislator;

(2) a current or former lobbyist registered under Minnesota law, or a current or former spouse of a current or former lobbyist registered under Minnesota law; or

(3) a current or former employee of the legislature, or a current or former spouse of a current or former employee of the legislature.

Subd. 2. **Initial appointment; convening authority; first meeting.** Appointing authorities must make their initial appointments by November 30, 2016. The governor shall designate one member to convene and chair the first meeting of the council. The first meeting must be before January 15, 2017. At its first meeting, the council must elect a chair from among its members. Members that reside in an even-numbered congressional district shall serve a first term ending January 15, 2019. Members residing in an odd-numbered congressional district will serve a first term that ends January 15, 2021.

Subd. 3. **Terms.** (a) Except for initial terms, a term is four years, or until new appointments are made after congressional redistricting as provided in subdivision 4. Members may serve no more than two full terms or portions of two consecutive terms.

(b) If a member ceases to reside in the congressional district that the member resided in at the time of appointment as a result of moving or redistricting, the appointing authority who appointed the

member must appoint a replacement who resides in the congressional district to serve the unexpired term.

Subd. 4. **Appointments following redistricting.** Appointing authorities shall make appointments within three months after the legislature adopts a congressional redistricting plan.

Subd. 5. **Removal; vacancies.** Members may be removed only for cause, after notice and a hearing, for missing three consecutive meetings, or as a result of redistricting. The chair of the council or a designee shall inform the appointing authority of a member missing three consecutive meetings. After the second consecutive missed meeting and before the next meeting, the chair or a designee shall notify the member in writing that the member may be removed for missing the next meeting. In the case of a vacancy on the board, the appointing authority shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Subd. 6. **Compensation.** Members shall be compensated under section 15.059, subdivision 3.

Subd. 7. **Duties.** By March 31 of each odd-numbered year, the council must prescribe salaries for legislators to take effect July 1 of that year. In setting salaries, the council must take into account any other legislative compensation provided to the legislators by the state of Minnesota. The council must submit a report by March 31 of each odd-numbered year with the prescribed salaries to the governor, the majority and minority leaders of the senate and the house of representatives, the chairs of the committees in the senate and the house of representatives with jurisdiction over the legislature's budget, and the chairs of the committees in the senate and house of representatives with jurisdiction over finance. The report must describe the council's rationale for selecting the prescribed salaries.

Subd. 8. **Chair.** The commission shall elect a chair from among its members.

Subd. 9. **Staffing.** The Legislative Coordinating Commission shall provide administrative and support services for the council.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon adoption of the constitutional amendment proposed under Laws 2013, chapter 124.

Sec. 2. Laws 2013, chapter 124, section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment is adopted, article IV, section 9, will read:

Sec. 9. The salary of senators and representatives shall be prescribed by a council consisting of the following members: one person who is not a judge from each congressional district appointed by the chief justice of the Supreme Court, and one member from each congressional district appointed by the governor. If Minnesota has an odd number of congressional districts, the governor and the chief justice must each appoint an at-large member in addition to a member from each congressional district. One-half of the members appointed by the governor and one-half of the members appointed by the chief justice must belong to the political party that has the most members in the legislature. One-half of the members appointed by the governor and one-half of the members appointed by the chief justice must belong to the political party that has the second-most members in the legislature. None of the members of the council may be current or former legislators, or the spouse or former spouse of a current or former legislator. None of the members of the council may be current or

former lobbyists registered under Minnesota law, or a current or former spouse of a current or former lobbyist registered under Minnesota law. None of the members of the council may be a current or former employee of the legislature, or a current or former spouse of a current or former employee of the legislature. Membership terms, removal, and compensation of members shall be as provided by law. The council must prescribe salaries by March 31 of each odd-numbered year, taking into account any other legislative compensation provided to legislators by the state of Minnesota, with any changes in salary to take effect on July 1 of that year."

Page 1, line 10, after "remove" insert "state"

Page 1, line 12, after "for" insert "state"

Page 1, line 17, delete "Raising" and insert "Setting"

Page 1, delete section 2

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, after the semicolon, insert "establishing a legislative salary council;"

Page 1, line 3, delete "raising" and insert "setting"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2128:** A bill for an act relating to the state lottery; prohibiting online sale of lottery tickets; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 349A.13.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 15, delete everything after "through" and insert "any self-service electronic device, including, but not limited to, sales through a Web site or through a device that is part of, shares a display with, or is adjacent to a retail petroleum dispenser, under section 239.751."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Senator Skoe questioned the reference thereon and, under Rule 21, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2287:** A bill for an act relating to the legislature; changing the authority of the Compensation Council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 15A.082, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 15A.082, subdivisions 1, 3.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 15, strike "March" and insert "April"

Page 1, line 19, after "each" insert "other"

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2742:** A bill for an act relating to the legislature; establishing a Legislative Salary Council to set salaries for legislators; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2463:** A bill for an act relating to counties; providing a process for combining and making the offices of county auditor-treasurer and recorder appointive in Becker County.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1082:** A bill for an act relating to judicial selection; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article VI, sections 7 and 8; establishing retention elections for judges; creating a judicial performance evaluation commission; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 10A.01, subdivisions 7, 15; 204B.06, subdivision 6; 204B.34, subdivision 3; 204B.36, subdivision 4; 480B.01, subdivisions 1, 10, 11; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 10A.01, subdivision 10; 10A.14, subdivision 1; 10A.20, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 204D; 480B; 490A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 204B.36, subdivision 5; 204D.14, subdivision 3.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 8, line 2, after "appointed" insert "to"

Page 8, line 14, before "Supreme" insert "chief justice of the"

Page 8, line 16, delete "Supreme Court's" and insert "chief justice's"

Page 8, line 34, delete "Supreme Court" and insert "chief justice"

Page 10, line 15, delete "6-year" and insert "six-year"

Page 12, line 7, delete "must be made"

Page 12, line 8, delete "on" and insert "must be made by"

Page 12, line 10, delete "480B.04" and insert "490A.04"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.



**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2319:** A bill for an act relating to public employment; changing the definition of a confidential employee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 179A.03, subdivision 4.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 8, delete "uses" and insert "is required to access and use"

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1676:** A bill for an act relating to crime; enacting the Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act proposed for adoption by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; conforming other law regarding collateral consequences and the rehabilitation of criminal offenders with the uniform act; providing for rulemaking; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 245C.22, by adding a subdivision; 245C.24, by adding a subdivision; 364.07; 611A.06, subdivision 1a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 638; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 609B.050; 609B.100; 609B.101; 609B.102; 609B.103; 609B.104; 609B.105; 609B.106; 609B.107; 609B.108; 609B.109; 609B.110; 609B.111; 609B.112; 609B.113; 609B.120; 609B.121; 609B.122; 609B.123; 609B.124; 609B.125; 609B.126; 609B.127; 609B.128; 609B.129; 609B.130; 609B.132; 609B.133; 609B.134; 609B.135; 609B.136; 609B.137; 609B.139; 609B.140; 609B.141; 609B.142; 609B.143; 609B.144; 609B.146; 609B.147; 609B.148; 609B.149; 609B.1495; 609B.150; 609B.151; 609B.152; 609B.153; 609B.155; 609B.157; 609B.158; 609B.159; 609B.160; 609B.161; 609B.162; 609B.164; 609B.1645; 609B.165; 609B.168; 609B.170; 609B.171; 609B.172; 609B.173; 609B.174; 609B.175; 609B.176; 609B.177; 609B.179; 609B.180; 609B.181; 609B.183; 609B.184; 609B.185; 609B.187; 609B.188; 609B.189; 609B.191; 609B.192; 609B.193; 609B.194; 609B.195; 609B.200; 609B.201; 609B.202; 609B.203; 609B.205; 609B.206; 609B.216; 609B.231; 609B.235; 609B.237; 609B.241; 609B.245; 609B.255; 609B.262; 609B.263; 609B.265; 609B.271; 609B.273; 609B.275; 609B.277; 609B.301; 609B.310; 609B.311; 609B.312; 609B.320; 609B.321; 609B.330; 609B.331; 609B.332; 609B.333; 609B.340; 609B.341; 609B.342; 609B.343; 609B.344; 609B.345; 609B.400; 609B.405; 609B.410; 609B.415; 609B.425; 609B.430; 609B.435; 609B.445; 609B.450; 609B.455; 609B.460; 609B.465; 609B.500; 609B.505; 609B.510; 609B.515; 609B.518; 609B.520; 609B.525; 609B.530; 609B.535; 609B.540; 609B.545; 609B.600; 609B.610; 609B.611; 609B.612; 609B.613; 609B.614; 609B.615; 609B.700; 609B.710; 609B.720; 609B.721; 609B.722; 609B.723; 609B.724; 609B.725.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2467:** A bill for an act relating to state government; regulating agency rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 3.842, subdivision 4a; 14.05, subdivisions 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 14.07, subdivision 4; 14.08; 14.101, subdivision 1; 14.116; 14.125; 14.126, subdivision 2; 14.131; 14.14, subdivisions 1a, 2a; 14.15, subdivision 1; 14.16, subdivisions 1, 3;

14.22; 14.25; 14.26; 14.365; 14.388, subdivision 1; 14.389, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 14.04; 14.101, subdivisions 3, 4; 14.14, subdivision 1b; 14.23; 14.3895.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 3.842, subdivision 4a, is amended to read:

Subd. 4a. **Objections to rules.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "committee" means the house of representatives policy committee or senate policy committee with primary jurisdiction over state governmental operations. The commission or a committee may object to a rule as provided in this subdivision. If the commission or a committee objects to all or some portion of a rule because the commission or committee considers it to be beyond the procedural or substantive authority delegated to the agency, including a proposed rule submitted under section 14.15, subdivision 4, or 14.26, subdivision 3, ~~paragraph (c) 6~~, the commission or committee may file that objection in the Office of the Secretary of State. The filed objection must contain a concise statement of the commission's or committee's reasons for its action. An objection to a proposed rule submitted by the commission or a committee under section 14.15, subdivision 4, or 14.26, subdivision 3, ~~paragraph (c) 6~~, may not be filed before the rule is adopted.

(b) The secretary of state shall affix to each objection a certification of the date and time of its filing and as soon after the objection is filed as practicable shall transmit a certified copy of it to the agency issuing the rule in question and to the revisor of statutes. The secretary of state shall also maintain a permanent register open to public inspection of all objections by the commission or committee.

(c) The commission or committee shall publish and index an objection filed under this section in the next issue of the State Register. The revisor of statutes shall indicate the existence of the objection adjacent to the rule in question when that rule is published in Minnesota Rules.

(d) Within 14 days after the filing of an objection by the commission or committee to a rule, the issuing agency shall respond in writing to the objecting entity. After receipt of the response, the commission or committee may withdraw or modify its objection.

(e) After the filing of an objection by the commission or committee that is not subsequently withdrawn, the burden is upon the agency in any proceeding for judicial review or for enforcement of the rule to establish that the whole or portion of the rule objected to is valid.

(f) The failure of the commission or a committee to object to a rule is not an implied legislative authorization of its validity.

(g) In accordance with sections 14.44 and 14.45, the commission or a committee may petition for a declaratory judgment to determine the validity of a rule objected to by the commission or committee. The action must be started within two years after an objection is filed in the Office of the Secretary of State.

(h) The commission or a committee may intervene in litigation arising from agency action. For purposes of this paragraph, agency action means the whole or part of a rule, or the failure to issue a rule.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.05, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Review and repeal of rules.** By December 1 of each fourth year, beginning December 1, 2018, an agency must submit to the governor, the Legislative Coordinating Commission, the policy and funding committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the agency, and the revisor of statutes, a list of any rules or portions of rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules. The list must also include an explanation of why the rule or portion of the rule is obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules. ~~By December 1,~~ The agency must either report a timetable for repeal of the rule or portion of the rule, or must develop a bill for submission to the appropriate policy committee to repeal the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule. ~~Such a bill must include proposed authorization to use the expedited procedures of section 14.389 to repeal or amend the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule.~~ A report submitted under this subdivision must be signed by the person in the agency who is responsible for identifying and initiating repeal of obsolete rules. The report also must identify the status of any rules identified in the prior ~~year's~~ report as obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative. If none of an agency's rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative, an agency's ~~December 1~~ report must state that conclusion.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.05, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Veto of adopted rules.** The governor may veto all or a severable portion of a rule of an agency as defined in section 14.02, subdivisions 2 and 4, by submitting notice of the veto to the State Register within 14 days of receiving a copy of the rule from the secretary of state under section 14.16, subdivision 3, 14.26, subdivision 3, or 14.386 or the agency under section 14.389, subdivision 3, ~~or section 14.3895~~. The veto is effective when the veto notice is submitted to the State Register. This authority applies only to the extent that the agency itself would have authority, through rulemaking, to take such action. If the governor vetoes a rule or portion of a rule under this section, the governor shall notify the chairs of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over the agency whose rule was vetoed.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.05, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Electronic notices permitted.** If sections 14.05 to 14.389 require an agency to provide notice or documents to the public, the legislature, or another state agency, the agency may send the notice or document, or a link to the notice or document, using any reliable method of electronic transmission. An agency may file rule-related documents with the Office of Administrative Hearings by electronic transmission in the manner approved by that office and the Office of the Revisor of Statutes by electronic transmission in the manner approved by that office.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.07, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Incorporations by reference.** (a) An agency may incorporate by reference into its rules the text from Minnesota Statutes, Minnesota Rules, United States Statutes at Large, United States Code, Laws of Minnesota, Code of Federal Regulations, the Federal Register, and other publications and documents which are determined by the revisor of statutes, to be conveniently available to the public. If the rule incorporates by reference other publications and documents, the rule must contain a statement of incorporation. The statement of incorporation by reference must include the words "incorporated by reference"; must identify by title, author, publisher, and, if applicable, date of publication of the standard or material to be incorporated; must state whether the material is subject to frequent change; and must contain a statement of availability. When presented with a rule for

certification pursuant to subdivision 2 and this subdivision, the revisor of statutes should indicate in the certification that the rule incorporates by reference text from other publications or documents. If the revisor certifies that the form of a rule is approved, that approval constitutes the revisor's finding that the publication or other document other than one listed by name in this subdivision, and which is incorporated by reference into the rules, is conveniently available to the public.

(b) For the purposes of paragraph (a), "conveniently available to the public" means available on the Internet without charge, or available for loan or inspection and copying to a person living anywhere in Minnesota through a statewide interlibrary loan system or in a public library without charge except for reasonable copying fees and mailing costs.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.08, is amended to read:

**14.08 APPROVAL OF RULE AND RULE FORM; COSTS.**

(a) One copy of a rule adopted under section 14.26 must be submitted by the agency to the chief administrative law judge. The chief administrative law judge shall request from the revisor certified copies of the rule when it is submitted by the agency under section 14.26. Within five days after the request for certification of the rule is received by the revisor, excluding weekends and holidays, the revisor shall either return the rule with a certificate of approval of the form of the rule to the chief administrative law judge or notify the chief administrative law judge and the agency that the form of the rule will not be approved.

If the chief administrative law judge disapproves a rule, the agency may modify it and the agency shall submit one copy of the modified rule, approved as to form by the revisor, to the chief administrative law judge.

(b) One copy of a rule adopted after a public hearing must be submitted by the agency to the chief administrative law judge. The chief administrative law judge shall request from the revisor certified copies of the rule when it is submitted by the agency. Within five working days after receipt of the request, the revisor shall either return the rule with a certificate of approval to the chief administrative law judge or notify the chief administrative law judge and the agency that the form of the rule will not be approved.

(c) If the revisor refuses to approve the form of the rule, the revisor's notice must revise the rule so it is in the correct form.

(d) After the agency has notified the chief administrative law judge that it has adopted the rule, the chief administrative law judge shall promptly file four paper copies or an electronic copy of the adopted rule in the Office of the Secretary of State. The secretary of state shall forward one copy of each rule filed to the agency, to the revisor of statutes, and to the governor.

~~(d)~~ (e) The chief administrative law judge shall assess an agency for the actual cost of processing rules under this section. Each agency shall include in its budget money to pay the assessments. Receipts from the assessment must be deposited in the administrative hearings account established in section 14.54.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.101, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Required notice.** In addition to seeking information by other methods designed to reach persons or classes of persons who might be affected by the proposal, an agency, at least 60 days before publication of a notice of intent to adopt or a notice of hearing, shall solicit comments

from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by causing notice to be published in the State Register. The notice must include a description of the subject matter of the proposal and the types of groups and individuals likely to be affected, and must indicate where, when, and how persons may comment on the proposal and whether and how drafts of any proposal may be obtained from the agency.

This notice must be published within 60 days of the effective date of any new or amendatory law requiring rules to be adopted, amended, or repealed.

An agency intending to adopt an expedited rule under section 14.389 is exempt from the requirements of this section.

**Sec. 8. [14.105] RULE NOTIFICATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Rule notification list.** (a) Each agency shall maintain a list of all persons who have registered with the agency for the purpose of receiving notice of rule proceedings. A person may register to receive notice of rule proceedings by submitting to the agency:

(1) the person's electronic mail address; or

(2) the person's name and United States mail address, along with a request to receive copies of the notices by mail.

(b) The agency shall post information on its Web site describing the registration process.

(c) The agency may inquire as to whether those persons on the list in paragraph (a) wish to remain on it and may remove persons for whom there is a negative reply or no reply within 60 days.

Subd. 2. **Additional notice.** (a) Each agency shall make reasonable efforts to notify persons or classes of persons who may be significantly affected by the rule being proposed by giving notice of its rule proceedings in newsletters, newspapers, or other publications, or through other means of communication.

(b) For each rulemaking, the agency shall develop an additional notice plan describing its efforts to provide additional notification to persons or classes of persons who may be affected by the proposed rule or must explain why these efforts were not made. The additional notice plan must be submitted to the administrative law judge with the other submissions required by section 14.14, subdivision 2a, or 14.26. The agency also may seek prior approval of the additional notice plan under the rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.116, is amended to read:

**14.116 NOTICE TO LEGISLATURE.**

(a) By January 15 each year, each agency must submit its rulemaking docket maintained under section 14.366, and the official rulemaking record required under section 14.365 for any rule adopted during the preceding calendar year, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative policy and budget committees with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the proposed rule:

(b) When an agency mails ~~sends~~ a notice of intent to adopt rules ~~hearing~~ under section 14.14 or a notice of intent to adopt rules under section 14.22, the agency must send a copy of the same notice and a copy of the statement of need and reasonableness to the chairs and ranking minority party

members of the legislative policy and budget committees with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the proposed rules and to the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

~~(c) In addition, if the mailing of the notice is within two years of the effective date of the law granting the agency authority to adopt the proposed rules, the agency shall make reasonable efforts to send a copy of the notice and the statement to all sitting legislators who were chief house of representatives and senate authors of the bill granting the rulemaking authority. If the bill was amended to include this rulemaking authority, the agency shall make reasonable efforts to send the notice and the statement to the chief house of representatives and senate authors of the amendment granting rulemaking authority, rather than to the chief authors of the bill.~~

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.125, is amended to read:

#### **14.125 TIME LIMIT ON AUTHORITY TO ADOPT, AMEND, OR REPEAL RULES.**

~~An agency shall publish a notice of intent to adopt rules or a notice of hearing under section 14.14 or a notice of intent to adopt rules under section 14.22 within 18 months of the effective date of the law authorizing or requiring rules to be adopted, amended, or repealed. If the notice is not published within the time limit imposed by this section, the authority for the rules expires. The agency shall not use other law in existence at the time of the expiration of rulemaking authority under this section as authority to adopt, amend, or repeal these rules agency shall report to the Legislative Coordinating Commission, other appropriate committees of the legislature, and the governor its failure to publish a notice and the reasons for that failure.~~

~~An agency that publishes a notice of intent to adopt rules or a notice of hearing within the time limit specified in this section may subsequently amend or repeal the rules without additional legislative authorization.~~

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.126, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Vote.** A committee vote under this section must be by a majority of the committee. The vote may occur any time after the publication of the rulemaking notice under section 14.14, subdivision 1a, 14.22, or 14.389, subdivision 2, ~~or 14.3895, subdivision 3;~~ and before notice of adoption is published in the State Register under section 14.18, 14.27, or 14.389, subdivision 3, ~~or 14.3895, subdivision 3.~~ A committee voting under this section shall notify the agency, the revisor of statutes, and the chief administrative law judge of the vote as soon as possible. The committee shall publish notice of the vote in the State Register as soon as possible.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.131, is amended to read:

#### **14.131 STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS.**

~~By the date of the section 14.14, subdivision 1a, notice, the agency must prepare, review, and make available for public review a statement of the need for and reasonableness of the rule. The statement of need and reasonableness must be prepared under rules adopted by the chief administrative law judge and must include the following to the extent the agency, through reasonable effort, can ascertain this information:~~

~~(1) a description of the classes of persons who probably will be affected by the proposed rule, including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule and classes that will benefit from the proposed rule;~~

~~(2) the probable costs to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule and any anticipated effect on state revenues;~~

~~(3) a determination of whether there are less costly methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule;~~

~~(4) a description of any alternative methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule that were seriously considered by the agency and the reasons why they were rejected in favor of the proposed rule;~~

~~(5) the probable costs of complying with the proposed rule, including the portion of the total costs that will be borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of governmental units, businesses, or individuals;~~

~~(6) the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the proposed rule, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals;~~

~~(7) an assessment of any differences between the proposed rule and existing federal regulations and a specific analysis of the need for and reasonableness of each difference; and~~

~~(8) an assessment of the cumulative effect of the rule with other federal and state regulations related to the specific purpose of the rule.~~

~~The statement must describe how the agency, in developing the rules, considered and implemented the legislative policy supporting performance-based regulatory systems set forth in section 14.002.~~

~~For purposes of clause (8), "cumulative effect" means the impact that results from incremental impact of the proposed rule in addition to other rules, regardless of what state or federal agency has adopted the other rules. Cumulative effects can result from individually minor but collectively significant rules adopted over a period of time.~~

~~The statement must also describe the agency's efforts to provide additional notification under section 14.14, subdivision 1a, to persons or classes of persons who may be affected by the proposed rule or must explain why these efforts were not made.~~

~~The agency must consult with the commissioner of management and budget to help evaluate the fiscal impact and fiscal benefits of the proposed rule on units of local government.~~

By the date of the notice of hearing, the agency must prepare and make available for public review a statement of the need for and reasonableness of the rule. The statement of need and reasonableness must be prepared under rules adopted by the chief administrative law judge. The statement of need and reasonableness must include a citation to the most specific statutory authority for the rule and a general description of the need for and reasonableness of the proposed rule. It must also include the following to the extent the agency, through reasonable effort, can ascertain this information:

(1) a description of the persons or classifications of persons who probably will be affected by the proposed rule; and

(2) the probable costs of the rule to affected persons and the agency, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals, and the probable benefits of adopting the rule.

The agency must send a copy of the statement of need and reasonableness to the Legislative Reference Library no later than when the notice of hearing is mailed under section 14.14, subdivision 1a sent.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.14, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

~~Subd. 1a. **Notice of rule hearing.** (a) Each agency shall maintain a list of all persons who have registered with the agency for the purpose of receiving notice of rule proceedings. Persons may register to receive notice of rule proceedings by submitting to the agency:~~

~~(1) their electronic mail address; or~~

~~(2) their name and United States mail address.~~

~~The agency may inquire as to whether those persons on the list wish to remain on it and may remove persons for whom there is a negative reply or no reply within 60 days. The agency shall, at least 30 days before the date set for the hearing, give notice of its intention to ~~adopt~~ hold a hearing on the proposed rules by United States mail or electronic mail to all persons on its list who have registered their names with the agency under section 14.105, and by publication in the State Register.~~

~~The mailed notice must include either a copy of the proposed rule or an easily readable and understandable description of its nature and effect and an announcement that a free copy of the proposed rule is available on request from the agency. In addition, each agency shall make reasonable efforts to notify persons or classes of persons who may be significantly affected by the rule being proposed by giving notice of its intention in newsletters, newspapers, or other publications, or through other means of communication. The notice in the State Register must include the proposed rule or an amended rule in the form required by the revisor under section 14.07, together with an easily readable and understandable summary of the overall nature and effect of the proposed rule, a citation to the most specific statutory authority for the proposed rule, a statement of the place, date, and time of the public hearing, a statement that a free copy of the proposed rule and the statement of need and reasonableness may be requested from the agency, a statement that persons may register with the agency for the purpose of receiving notice of rule proceedings and ~~notice that the agency intends to adopt a rule and other information required by law or rule. When an entire rule is proposed to be repealed, the agency need only publish that fact, along with an easily readable and understandable summary of the overall nature of the rules proposed for repeal, and a citation to the rule to be repealed.~~~~

If a notice of intent to adopt a rule was previously published with the text of the same proposed rule, the agency may omit the text of the proposed rule from the notice of hearing if the agency includes a citation to the previous publication. The mail notice of hearing must be the same as the notice published in the State Register, except that the mailed notice may omit the text of the proposed rule.

(b) The chief administrative law judge may authorize an agency to omit from the notice of rule hearing the text of any proposed rule, the publication of which would be unduly cumbersome, expensive, or otherwise inexpedient if:



- (1) knowledge of the rule is likely to be important to only a small class of persons;
- (2) the notice of rule hearing states that a free copy of the entire rule is available upon request to the agency; and
- (3) the notice of rule hearing states in detail the specific subject matter of the omitted rule, cites the statutory authority for the proposed rule, and details the proposed rule's purpose and motivation.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.14, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Hearing procedure.** When a hearing is held on a proposed rule, it shall be conducted by an administrative law judge assigned by the chief administrative law judge. The administrative law judge shall ensure that all persons involved in the rule hearing are treated fairly and impartially. The agency shall submit into the record the jurisdictional documents, including the statement of need and reasonableness, comments and hearing requests received, and any written exhibits in support of the proposed rule. The agency may also present additional oral evidence. Interested persons may present written and oral evidence. The administrative law judge shall allow questioning of agency representatives or witnesses, or of interested persons making oral statements, in order to explain the purpose or intended operation of a proposed rule, or a suggested modification, or for other purposes if material to the evaluation or formulation of the proposed rule. The administrative law judge may limit repetitive or immaterial oral statements and questioning.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.16, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Review of modifications.** If the report of the administrative law judge finds no defects, the agency may proceed to adopt the rule. After receipt of the administrative law judge's report, if the agency makes any modifications to the rule, it must return the rule, approved as to form by the revisor, to the chief administrative law judge for a review of legality, including the issue of whether the rule as modified is substantially different, as determined under section 14.05, subdivision 2, from the rule as originally proposed. If the chief administrative law judge determines that the modified rule is substantially different from the rule that was originally proposed, the chief administrative law judge shall advise the agency of actions that will correct the defects. The agency may not adopt the modified rule until the chief administrative law judge determines that the defects have been corrected or, if applicable, that the agency has satisfied the rule requirements for the adoption of a substantially different rule.

~~The agency shall give notice to all persons who requested to be informed that the rule has been adopted and filed with the secretary of state. This notice must be given on the same day that the rule is filed.~~

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.16, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Filing.** After the agency has ~~adopted~~ provided the chief administrative law judge with a signed order adopting the rule, the ~~agency~~ chief administrative law judge shall promptly file ~~three~~ four paper copies or an electronic copy of it the adopted rule in the Office of the Secretary of State. The secretary of state shall forward one copy of each rule filed to the agency, to the revisor of statutes, and to the governor.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.22, is amended to read:

**14.22 NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF RULES.**

Subdivision 1. **Contents.** (a) ~~Unless an agency proceeds directly to a public hearing on a proposed rule and gives the notice prescribed in section 14.14, subdivision 1a, the agency shall give notice of its intention to adopt a rule without public hearing. The agency shall give the notice required by this section, unless the agency gives notice of a hearing under section 14.14. The agency shall give notice must be given of its intention to adopt a rule by publication in the State Register and by United States mail or electronic mail to persons who have registered their names with the agency under section 14.14, subdivision 1a 14.105. The mailed notice must include either a copy of the proposed rule or an easily readable and understandable description of its nature and effect and an announcement that a free copy of the proposed rule is available on request from the agency. In addition, each agency shall make reasonable efforts to notify persons or classes of persons who may be significantly affected by the rule by giving notice of its intention in newsletters, newspapers, or other publications, or through other means of communication. The notice in the State Register must include the proposed rule or the amended rule in the form required by the revisor under section 14.07; an easily readable and understandable summary of the overall nature and effect of the proposed rule; a citation to the most specific statutory authority for the proposed rule; a statement that persons may register with the agency for the purpose of receiving to receive notice of rule proceedings and notice that a rule has been submitted to the chief administrative law judge; and other information required by law or rule. When an entire rule is proposed to be repealed, the notice need only state that fact, along with an easily readable and understandable summary of the overall nature of the rules rule proposed for repeal, and a citation to the rule to be repealed. The notice must include a statement advising the public:~~

(1) that the public has 30 days in which to submit comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule and that comment is encouraged;

(2) that each comment should identify the ~~portion part and subpart, if any,~~ of the proposed rule addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed;

(3) that the requester is encouraged to propose any change desired;

~~(3)~~ (4) that if 25 50 or more persons submit a written request for a public hearing within the 30-day comment period, a public hearing will be held and the agency will use the process under section 14.14;

~~(4)~~ (5) of the manner in which persons must request a public hearing on the proposed rule, including the requirements contained in section 14.25 relating to a written request for a public hearing; and

~~(5) of the requirements contained in section 14.25 relating to a written request for a public hearing, and that the requester is encouraged to propose any change desired;~~

(6) that the agency may modify the proposed rule may be modified if the modifications are supported by the data and views submitted; and

(7) that if a hearing is not required, notice of the date of submission of the proposed rule to the chief administrative law judge for review will be mailed to any person requesting to receive the notice.

In connection with the statements required in clauses (1) and ~~(3)~~ (4), the notice must also include the date on which the ~~30-day~~ comment period ends. The mailed notice of intent to adopt a rule must be the same as the notice published in the State Register, except that the mailed notice may omit the text of the proposed rule.

(b) The chief administrative law judge may authorize an agency to omit from the notice of intent to adopt the text of any proposed rule, the publication of which would be unduly cumbersome, expensive, or otherwise inexpedient if:

- (1) knowledge of the rule is likely to be important to only a small class of persons;
- (2) the notice of intent to adopt states that a free copy of the entire rule is available upon request to the agency; and
- (3) the notice of intent to adopt states in detail the specific subject matter of the omitted rule, cites the statutory authority for the proposed rule, and details the proposed rule's purpose and motivation.

Subd. 2. **Dual notices.** The agency may, at the same time notice is given under subdivision 1, give notice of a public hearing and of its intention to proceed under sections 14.14 to 14.20, if one is required under section 14.25. The notice must include a statement advising the public of its intention to cancel the public hearing if 25 50 or more persons do not request one. If a hearing is required, there must be at least ten calendar days between the last day for requesting a hearing and the day of the hearing.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.25, is amended to read:

#### **14.25 PUBLIC HEARING.**

Subdivision 1. **Requests for hearing.** If, during the ~~30-day~~ period allowed for comment under section 14.22, 25 50 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a public hearing of the proposed rule, the agency shall proceed under the provisions of sections 14.14 to 14.20. The written request must include: (1) the name and address of the person requesting the public hearing; and (2) the portion or portions part or subpart, if any, of the rule to which the person objects or a statement that the person opposes the entire rule. If not previously published under section 14.22, subdivision 2, a notice of the public hearing must be published in the State Register and mailed to those persons who submitted a written request for the public hearing. Unless the agency has modified the proposed rule, the notice need not include the text of the proposed rule but only a citation to the State Register pages where the text appears; and (3) the reasons for the objection to each portion of the rule identified.

A written request for a public hearing that does not comply with the requirements of this section is invalid and may not be counted by the agency for purposes of determining whether a public hearing must be held.

Subd. 2. **Withdrawal of hearing requests.** If a request for a public hearing has been withdrawn so as to reduce the number of requests below 25 50, the agency must give written notice of that fact to all persons who have requested the public hearing. No public hearing may be canceled by an agency within three working days of the hearing. The notice must explain why the request is being withdrawn, and must include a description of any action the agency has taken or will take that affected or may have affected the decision to withdraw the requests. The notice must also invite persons to submit written comments within five working days to the agency relating to the

withdrawal. The notice and any written comments received by the agency is part of the rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge under section 14.14 or 14.26. The administrative law judge shall review the notice and any comments received and determine whether the withdrawal is consistent with section 14.001, clauses (2), (4), and (5).

This subdivision applies only to a withdrawal of a hearing request that affects whether a public hearing must be held and only if the agency has taken any action to obtain the withdrawal of the hearing request.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.26, is amended to read:

**14.26 ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE; SUBMISSION TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE.**

Subdivision 1. **Submission.** If no hearing is required, the agency shall submit to an administrative law judge assigned by the chief administrative law judge the proposed rule and notice as published, the rule as adopted, any written comments received by the agency, and a statement of need and reasonableness for the rule. The agency shall give notice to all persons who requested to be informed that these materials have been submitted to the administrative law judge. This notice must be given on the same day that the record is submitted. If the proposed rule has been modified, the notice must state that fact, and must also state that a free copy of the proposed rule, as modified, is available upon request from the agency. The rule and these materials must be submitted to the administrative law judge within 180 days of the day that the comment period for the rule is over or the rule is automatically withdrawn. The agency may not adopt the withdrawn rules without again following the procedures of sections 14.05 to 14.28, with the exception of section 14.101, if the noncompliance is approved by the chief administrative law judge. The agency shall report its failure to adopt the rules and the reasons for that failure to the Legislative Coordinating Commission, other appropriate legislative committees, and the governor.

~~Subd. 2. **Resubmission.** Even if the 180-day period expires while the administrative law judge reviews the rule, if the administrative law judge rejects the rule, the agency may resubmit it after taking corrective action. The resubmission must occur within 30 days of when the agency receives written notice of the disapproval. If the rule is again disapproved, the rule is withdrawn. An agency may resubmit at any time before the expiration of the 180-day period. If the agency withholds some of the proposed rule, it may not adopt the withheld portion without again following the procedures of sections 14.14 to 14.28.~~

Subd. 3. **Review.** ~~(a) Within 14 days of receiving a submission under subdivision 1, the administrative law judge shall approve or disapprove the rule as to its legality and its form to the extent that the form relates to legality, including the issues of whether the rule if modified is substantially different, as determined under section 14.05, subdivision 2, from the rule as originally proposed, whether the agency has the authority to adopt the rule, and whether the record demonstrates a rational basis for the need for and reasonableness of the proposed rule. If the rule is approved, the administrative law judge shall promptly file four copies of it in the Office of the Secretary of State. The secretary of state shall forward one copy of each rule to the revisor of statutes, one to the agency, and one to the governor. If the rule is disapproved, the administrative law judge shall state in writing the reasons for the disapproval and make recommendations to overcome the defects.~~

Subd. 4. **Harmless error.** The administrative law judge shall disregard any error or defect in the proceeding due to the agency's failure to satisfy any procedural requirements imposed by law or rule if the administrative law judge finds:

(1) that the failure did not deprive any person or entity of an opportunity to participate meaningfully in the rulemaking process; or

(2) that the agency has taken corrective action to cure the error or defect so that the failure did not deprive any person or entity of an opportunity to participate meaningfully in the rulemaking process.

Subd. 5. **Correction of defects.** ~~(b)~~ (a) The written disapproval must be submitted to the chief administrative law judge for approval. If the chief administrative law judge approves of the findings of the administrative law judge, the chief administrative law judge shall send the statement of the reasons for disapproval of the rule to the agency, the Legislative Coordinating Commission, the house of representatives and senate policy committees with primary jurisdiction over state governmental operations, and the revisor of statutes and advise the agency and the revisor of statutes of actions that will correct the defects. The rule may not be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, nor be published, until the chief administrative law judge determines that the defects have been corrected or, if applicable, that the agency has satisfied the rule requirements for the adoption of a substantially different rule.

(b) The agency may resubmit the disapproved rule under paragraph (a) to the chief administrative law judge after correcting the defects. If the 180-day period expires while the administrative law judge is reviewing the rule, the agency may resubmit the rule within 30 days of the date the agency received written notice of disapproval. In all other cases, the agency may resubmit the rule at any time before the expiration of the 180-day period in subdivision 1. If the resubmitted rule is disapproved by the chief administrative law judge, the rule is withdrawn. If the agency does not resubmit a portion of the rule, it may not adopt that portion of the rule without again following the procedures of sections 14.14 to 14.28.

Subd. 6. **Need or reasonableness not established.** (c) If the chief administrative law judge determines that the need for or reasonableness of the rule has not been established, and if the agency does not elect to follow the suggested actions of the chief administrative law judge to correct that defect, then the agency shall submit the proposed rule to the Legislative Coordinating Commission and to the house of representatives and senate policy committees with primary jurisdiction over state governmental operations for advice and comment. The agency may not adopt the rule until it has received and considered the advice of the commission and committees. However, the agency need not wait for advice for more than 60 days after the commission and committees have received the agency's submission.

~~(d) The administrative law judge shall disregard any error or defect in the proceeding due to the agency's failure to satisfy any procedural requirements imposed by law or rule if the administrative law judge finds:~~

~~(1) that the failure did not deprive any person or entity of an opportunity to participate meaningfully in the rulemaking process; or~~

~~(2) that the agency has taken corrective action to cure the error or defect so that the failure did not deprive any person or entity of an opportunity to participate meaningfully in the rulemaking process.~~

Subd. 7. **Filing.** If the rule is approved, the administrative law judge shall promptly file four paper copies or an electronic copy of it in the Office of the Secretary of State. The secretary of state shall forward one copy of each rule to the revisor of statutes, one to the agency, and one to the governor.

Subd. 4 8. **Costs.** The Office of Administrative Hearings shall assess an agency for the actual cost of processing rules under this section. Each agency shall include in its budget money to pay the assessment. Receipts from the assessment must be deposited in the administrative hearings account created in section 14.54.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.388, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Requirements.** If an agency for good cause finds that the rulemaking provisions of this chapter are unnecessary, impracticable, or contrary to the public interest when adopting, amending, or repealing a rule to:

- (1) address a serious and immediate threat to the public health, safety, or welfare;
- (2) comply with a court order or a requirement in federal law in a manner that does not allow for compliance with sections 14.14 to 14.28;
- (3) incorporate specific changes set forth in applicable statutes when no interpretation of law is required; or
- (4) make changes that do not alter the sense, meaning, or effect of a rule,

the agency may adopt, amend, or repeal the rule after satisfying the requirements of subdivision 2 and section 14.386, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4). The agency shall incorporate its findings and a brief statement of its supporting reasons in its order adopting, amending, or repealing the rule.

After considering the agency's statement and any comments received, the Office of Administrative Hearings shall determine whether the agency has provided adequate justification for its use of this section.

Rules adopted, amended, or repealed under ~~clauses~~ clause (1) and (2) are effective for a period of two years from the date of publication of the rule in the State Register.

Rules adopted, amended, or repealed under clause (2), (3), or (4) are effective upon publication in the State Register.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 14.389, is amended to read:

**14.389 EXPEDITED PROCESS.**

Subdivision 1. **Application.** (a) This section applies when a law requiring or authorizing rules to be adopted states that this section must or may be used to adopt the rules. When a law refers to this section, the process in this section is the only process an agency must follow for its rules to:

- (1) a law requiring or authorizing rules to be adopted states that this section must or may be used to adopt the rules;
- (2) an agency is adopting or incorporating by reference a specific code or standard referenced in a law requiring or authorizing rules to be adopted under this chapter;

(3) an agency is adopting or modifying a rule to conform to a change in federal law or regulation a state law or rule that is binding on the state; or

(4) an agency is repealing rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.

(b) An agency may also use this process to adopt rules it determines are noncontroversial if there is other law authorizing the rules.

(c) Rules adopted under this section have the force and effect of law. Sections 14.19 and 14.366 apply to rules adopted under this section.

Subd. 2. **Notice and comment.** (a) The agency must publish notice of the proposed rule in the State Register and must mail the notice by United States mail or electronic mail to persons who have registered with the agency to receive mailed notices.

(b) The notice for rules adopted under the authority granted in subdivision 1, paragraph (b), must include a statement that if 50 or more persons request that the agency follow all of the requirements for rules adopted with or without a public hearing, as appropriate, except section 14.101, the agency shall adopt the rule only after complying with all of the requirements for rules adopted with or without a public hearing, as appropriate, except section 14.101. The notice must also include an easily readable and understandable description of the purpose, nature, and effect of the proposed rules, including a description of the persons or classes of persons who are likely to be affected by the proposed rulemaking. A hearing request made pursuant to this subdivision must be in writing and include: (1) the name and address of the person requesting the agency to adopt the rule in compliance with the procedures under sections 14.05 to 14.28; and (2) the portion or portions of the rule to which the person objects or a statement that the person is opposed to the entire rule.

(c) The mailed notice must include either a copy of the proposed rule or a description of the nature and effect of the proposed rule and a statement that a free copy is available from the agency upon request.

(d) The notice in the State Register must include the proposed rule or the amended rule in the form required by the revisor under section 14.07, an easily readable and understandable summary of the overall nature and effect of the proposed rule, and a citation to the most specific statutory authority for the rule, including authority for the rule to be adopted under the process in this section.

(e) The agency must allow 30 days after publication in the State Register for comment on the rule.

Subd. 3. **Adoption.** The agency may modify a proposed rule if the modifications do not result in a substantially different rule, as defined in section 14.05, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) and (c). If the final rule is identical to the rule originally published in the State Register, the agency must publish a notice of adoption in the State Register. If the final rule is different from the rule originally published in the State Register, the agency must publish a copy of the changes in the State Register. The agency must also file a copy of the rule with the governor. The rule is effective upon publication in the State Register.

Subd. 4. **Legal review.** Before publication of the final rule in the State Register, the agency must submit the rule and its order adopting, amending, or repealing the rule to an administrative law judge in the Office of Administrative Hearings. The agency's order must include the agency's findings and

a brief statement summarizing its reasons for using this expedited process. The administrative law judge shall within 14 days approve or disapprove the rule as to its legality and its form to the extent the form relates to legality.

Subd. 5. **Option.** A law authorizing or requiring rules to be adopted under this section may refer specifically to this subdivision. If the law contains a specific reference to this subdivision, as opposed to a general reference to this section:

(1) the notice required in subdivision 2 must include a statement that a public hearing will be held if 100 or more people request a hearing. The request must be in the manner specified in section 14.25; and

(2) if 100 or more people submit a written request for a public hearing, the agency may adopt the rule only after complying with all of the requirements of chapter 14 for rules adopted after a public hearing, except for section 14.101.

Subd. 6. **Additional notice plan.** An agency proposing expedited rules under subdivision 1 must give notice by methods designed to reach persons or classes of persons who might be affected by the proposal before publication of the notice required by subdivision 2 in the State Register. The agency must submit its additional notice plan to the Office of Administrative Hearings and receive approval of the plan before publication. The request for approval must include a description of the proposed additional notice plan; a description or a draft of the proposed rules; and an explanation of why the agency believes that its additional notice plan provides sufficient notice. The administrative law judge must approve or disapprove the plan within five working days after the office receives it.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 115.44, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Rule notices.** ~~For rules authorized under this section, the notices required to be mailed under sections 14.14, subdivision 1a, and 14.22 must also be mailed~~ When a rulemaking conducted under this section will change the use classification of a particular water, the agency must provide notice to the governing body of each municipality bordering the affected water or through which the waters for which standards are sought to be adopted flow affected water flows.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 116.07, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Adoption of standards.** (a) The Pollution Control Agency shall improve air quality by promoting, in the most practicable way possible, the use of energy sources and waste disposal methods which produce or emit the least air contaminants consistent with the agency's overall goal of reducing all forms of pollution. The agency shall also adopt standards of air quality, including maximum allowable standards of emission of air contaminants from motor vehicles, recognizing that due to variable factors, no single standard of purity of air is applicable to all areas of the state. In adopting standards the Pollution Control Agency shall give due recognition to the fact that the quantity or characteristics of air contaminants or the duration of their presence in the atmosphere, which may cause air pollution in one area of the state, may cause less or not cause any air pollution in another area of the state, and it shall take into consideration in this connection such factors, including others which it may deem proper, as existing physical conditions, zoning classifications, topography, prevailing wind directions and velocities, and the fact that a standard of air quality which may be proper as to an essentially residential area of the state, may not be proper as to a highly developed industrial area of the state. Such standards of air quality shall be premised upon scientific knowledge of causes as well as effects based on technically substantiated criteria and



commonly accepted practices. No local government unit shall set standards of air quality which are more stringent than those set by the Pollution Control Agency.

(b) The Pollution Control Agency shall promote solid waste disposal control by encouraging the updating of collection systems, elimination of open dumps, and improvements in incinerator practices. The agency shall also adopt standards for the control of the collection, transportation, storage, processing, and disposal of solid waste and sewage sludge for the prevention and abatement of water, air, and land pollution, recognizing that due to variable factors, no single standard of control is applicable to all areas of the state. In adopting standards, the Pollution Control Agency shall give due recognition to the fact that elements of control which may be reasonable and proper in densely populated areas of the state may be unreasonable and improper in sparsely populated or remote areas of the state, and it shall take into consideration in this connection such factors, including others which it may deem proper, as existing physical conditions, topography, soils and geology, climate, transportation, and land use. Such standards of control shall be premised on technical criteria and commonly accepted practices.

(c) The Pollution Control Agency shall also adopt standards describing the maximum levels of noise in terms of sound pressure level which may occur in the outdoor atmosphere, recognizing that due to variable factors no single standard of sound pressure is applicable to all areas of the state. Such standards shall give due consideration to such factors as the intensity of noises, the types of noises, the frequency with which noises recur, the time period for which noises continue, the times of day during which noises occur, and such other factors as could affect the extent to which noises may be injurious to human health or welfare, animal or plant life, or property, or could interfere unreasonably with the enjoyment of life or property. In adopting standards, the Pollution Control Agency shall give due recognition to the fact that the quantity or characteristics of noise or the duration of its presence in the outdoor atmosphere, which may cause noise pollution in one area of the state, may cause less or not cause any noise pollution in another area of the state, and it shall take into consideration in this connection such factors, including others which it may deem proper, as existing physical conditions, zoning classifications, topography, meteorological conditions and the fact that a standard which may be proper in an essentially residential area of the state, may not be proper as to a highly developed industrial area of the state. Such noise standards shall be premised upon scientific knowledge as well as effects based on technically substantiated criteria and commonly accepted practices. No local governing unit shall set standards describing the maximum levels of sound pressure which are more stringent than those set by the Pollution Control Agency.

(d) The Pollution Control Agency shall adopt standards for the identification of hazardous waste and for the management, identification, labeling, classification, storage, collection, transportation, processing, and disposal of hazardous waste, recognizing that due to variable factors, a single standard of hazardous waste control may not be applicable to all areas of the state. In adopting standards, the Pollution Control Agency shall recognize that elements of control which may be reasonable and proper in densely populated areas of the state may be unreasonable and improper in sparsely populated or remote areas of the state. The agency shall consider existing physical conditions, topography, soils, and geology, climate, transportation and land use. Standards of hazardous waste control shall be premised on technical knowledge, and commonly accepted practices. Hazardous waste generator licenses may be issued for a term not to exceed five years. No local government unit shall set standards of hazardous waste control which are in conflict or inconsistent with those set by the Pollution Control Agency.

(e) A person who generates less than 100 kilograms of hazardous waste per month is exempt from the following agency hazardous waste rules:

(1) rules relating to transportation, manifesting, storage, and labeling for photographic fixer and x-ray negative wastes that are hazardous solely because of silver content; and

(2) any rule requiring the generator to send to the agency or commissioner a copy of each manifest for the transportation of hazardous waste for off-site treatment, storage, or disposal, except that counties within the metropolitan area may require generators to provide manifests.

Nothing in this paragraph exempts the generator from the agency's rules relating to on-site accumulation or outdoor storage. A political subdivision or other local unit of government may not adopt management requirements that are more restrictive than this paragraph.

(f) In any rulemaking proceeding under chapter 14 to adopt standards for air quality, solid waste, or hazardous waste under this chapter, or standards for water quality under chapter 115, the statement of need and reasonableness must ~~include~~:

~~(1) an assessment of any differences between the proposed rule and:~~

~~(i) existing federal standards adopted under the Clean Air Act, United States Code, title 42, section 7412(b)(2); the Clean Water Act, United States Code, title 33, sections 1312(a) and 1313(c)(4); and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, United States Code, title 42, section 6921(b)(1);~~

~~(ii) similar standards in states bordering Minnesota; and~~

~~(iii) similar standards in states within the Environmental Protection Agency Region 5; and~~

~~(2) a specific analysis of the need and reasonableness of each difference assess and provide a specific analysis of the need and reasonableness of each difference between the proposed rule and existing or proposed federal standards and similar standards in relevant states bordering Minnesota or within Environmental Protection Agency Region 5.~~

**Sec. 24. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 14.04; 14.14, subdivision 1b; and 14.3895, are repealed.

**Sec. 25. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.**

This act is effective the day following final enactment and applies to rules for which a notice of hearing under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.14; a notice of intent to adopt under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.22; or a dual notice under Minnesota Statutes, section 14.225, is published in the State Register on or after that date."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2272:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; establishing review and certification process for ordinances and variances adopted under Lower St. Croix Wild and Scenic River Act; establishing variance criteria; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103F.351, by adding subdivisions.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103F.351, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Rules.** (a) The commissioner of natural resources shall adopt rules that establish guidelines and specify standards for local zoning ordinances applicable to the area within the boundaries covered by the comprehensive master plan.

(b) The guidelines and standards must be consistent with this section, the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the federal Lower St. Croix River Act of 1972. The standards specified in the guidelines must include:

(1) the prohibition of new residential, commercial, or industrial uses other than those that are consistent with the above mentioned acts; and

(2) the protection of riverway lands by means of acreage, frontage, and setback requirements on development.

(c) Cities, counties, and towns lying within the areas affected by the guidelines shall adopt zoning ordinances complying with the guidelines and standards within the time schedule prescribed by the commissioner. No adoption of or amendment to a Lower St. Croix zoning ordinance becomes effective unless and until the commissioner of natural resources has certified that it complies with the guidelines and standards adopted by rule under this subdivision. Within 30 days of being submitted to the department, the commissioner shall certify the ordinance or amendment, or specify the aspects of the ordinance or amendment that fail to meet those criteria. If the commissioner does not respond within 30 days of receiving the ordinance or amendment, the ordinance or amendment shall be considered certified by the commissioner. The commissioner of natural resources shall provide a liaison to affected cities, counties, and towns to provide outreach and education on ordinance implementation, and advice during the review of applications for variances from local Lower St. Croix River ordinances to evaluate whether:

(1) the variances are consistent with the intent of the National Wild and Scenic River Act, the federal Lower St. Croix River Act of 1972, and the master plan adopted under subdivision 2; and

(2) the reasons for the requested variance cannot be alleviated by any alternative feasible method other than a variance.

(d) In rural districts, as defined in rules adopted pursuant to this section, commercial, nature-oriented, and educational uses may be allowed as conditional uses on properties that were in similar use on May 1, 1974, and on January 1, 2010, if the conditional use:

(1) complies with all dimensional standards in the rules, including variance requirements for any changes to the properties made after January 1, 2010; and

(2) is similar in scope to the use that existed on May 1, 1974."

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Pappas from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2154:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; making technical changes to provisions affecting the Department of Transportation; clarifying contracting requirements; modifying U-turn rules; providing bridge inspection authority in certain instances; modifying reporting requirements; modifying appropriations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 16A.124, subdivision 5; 161.32, subdivision 5; 162.06, subdivision 1; 162.081, subdivision 4; 162.12, subdivision 1; 165.03, subdivision 3; 165.12, subdivision 1; 169.19, subdivision 2; 169.781, subdivision 10; 169.782, subdivision 4; 169.865, subdivision 2; 171.02, subdivision 2; 171.03; 174.37, subdivision 6; 221.031, by adding subdivisions; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 161.44, subdivision 1a; 169.19, subdivision 1; 174.12, subdivision 2; Laws 2010, chapter 189, section 15, subdivision 12; Laws 2012, chapter 287, article 2, sections 1; 3; Laws 2012, First Special Session chapter 1, article 1, section 28; Laws 2013, chapter 127, section 67; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 161.115, subdivision 240; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 221.0314, subdivision 9a.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 7, after line 2, insert:

"Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 169.222, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Riding rules.** (a) Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ~~ride as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway~~ ride in the right-hand lane when available for traffic, except under any of the following situations:

(1) when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction;

(2) when preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway;

(3) when reasonably necessary to avoid conditions, including fixed or moving objects, vehicles, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards, ~~or narrow width lanes, that~~ or other conditions that in the judgment of the cyclist make it unsafe to continue along the right-hand curb or edge in the right-hand lane; or

(4) when operating on the shoulder of a roadway or in a bicycle lane.

(b) If a bicycle is traveling on a shoulder of a roadway, the bicycle shall travel in the same direction as adjacent vehicular traffic.

(c) Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway or shoulder shall not ride more than two abreast and shall not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic and, on a laned roadway, shall ride within a single lane.

(d) A person operating a bicycle upon a sidewalk, or across a roadway or shoulder on a crosswalk, shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal when necessary before overtaking and passing any pedestrian. No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within a business district unless permitted by local authorities. Local authorities may prohibit the operation of bicycles on any sidewalk or crosswalk under their jurisdiction.

(e) An individual operating a bicycle or other vehicle on a bikeway shall leave a safe distance when overtaking a bicycle or individual proceeding in the same direction on the bikeway, and shall maintain clearance until safely past the overtaken bicycle or individual.

(f) A person lawfully operating a bicycle on a sidewalk, or across a roadway or shoulder on a crosswalk, shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances.

(g) A person may operate an electric-assisted bicycle on the shoulder of a roadway, on a bikeway, or on a bicycle trail if not otherwise prohibited under section 85.015, subdivision 1d; 85.018, subdivision 2, paragraph (d); or 160.263, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), as applicable.

(h) Upon approaching an intersection where right turns are permitted and there is a dedicated right-turn lane, a bicyclist may ride on the left-hand portion of the dedicated right-turn lane even if the bicyclist does not subsequently turn right and does not intend to turn right.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Sheran from the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 511:** A bill for an act relating to health; improving access to health care delivered by advanced practice registered nurses; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 148.171, subdivisions 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 13, 16, 21, by adding subdivisions; 148.181, subdivision 1; 148.191, subdivision 2; 148.211, subdivision 2, by adding subdivisions; 148.231, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 148.233, subdivision 2; 148.234; 148.235, by adding subdivisions; 148.251, subdivision 1; 148.261, subdivision 1; 148.262, subdivisions 1, 2, 4; 148.271; 148.281, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 148.171, subdivision 6; 148.235, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 4, 4a, 4b, 6, 7; 148.284.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Advanced practice registered nurse.** "Advanced practice registered nurse," abbreviated APRN, means an individual licensed as a an advanced practice registered nurse by the board and certified by a national nurse certification organization acceptable to the board to practice as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse anesthetist, nurse-midwife, or nurse practitioner. The national nursing certification organization must:

(1) be endorsed by a national professional nursing organization that describes scope and standards statements specific to the practice as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or registered nurse anesthetist for the population focus for which the individual will be certified;

(2) be independent from the national professional nursing organization in decision-making for all matters pertaining to certification or recertification;

(3) administer a professional nursing certification program that is psychometrically sound, legally defensible, and meets nationally recognized accreditation standards for certification programs; and

(4) require periodic recertification or be affiliated with an organization that provides recertification.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4a. **Certification.** "Certification" means the formal recognition of knowledge, skills, and experience demonstrated by the achievement of standards identified by the National Professional Nursing Organization acceptable to the Minnesota Board of Nursing.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Clinical nurse specialist practice.** "Clinical nurse specialist practice" means the provision of patient care in a particular specialty or subspecialty of advanced practice registered nursing within the context of collaborative management, and includes: (1) diagnosing illness and disease; (2) providing nonpharmacologic treatment, including psychotherapy; (3) promoting wellness; and (4) preventing illness and disease. The certified clinical nurse specialist is certified for advanced practice registered nursing in a specific field of clinical nurse specialist practice.:

(1) the diagnosis and treatment of health and illness states;

(2) disease management;

(3) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies;

(4) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(5) prevention of illness and risk behaviors;

(6) nursing care for individuals, families, and communities;

(7) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient; and

(8) integration of care across the continuum to improve patient outcomes.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6a. **Collaboration.** "Collaboration" means the process in which two or more health care professionals work together to meet the health care needs of a patient, as warranted by the patient.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Nurse.** "Nurse" means advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, ~~advanced practice registered nurse~~, and licensed practical nurse unless the context clearly refers to only one category.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Nurse-midwife practice.** "Nurse-midwife practice" means ~~the management of women's primary health care, focusing on pregnancy, childbirth, the postpartum period, care of the newborn, and the family planning and gynecological needs of women and includes diagnosing and providing nonpharmacologic treatment within a system that provides for consultation, collaborative management, and referral as indicated by the health status of patients.:~~

(1) the management, diagnosis, and treatment of women's primary health care including pregnancy, childbirth, postpartum period, care of the newborn, family planning, partner care management relating to sexual health, and gynecological care of women across the life span;

(2) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(3) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies; and

(4) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **Nurse practitioner practice.** "Nurse practitioner practice" means, ~~within the context of collaborative management: (1) diagnosing, directly managing, and preventing acute and chronic illness and disease; and (2) promoting wellness, including providing nonpharmacologic treatment. The certified nurse practitioner is certified for advanced registered nurse practice in a specific field of nurse practitioner practice. the provision of care including:~~

(1) health promotion, disease prevention, health education, and counseling;

(2) providing health assessment and screening activities;

(3) diagnosing, treating, and facilitating patients' management of their acute and chronic illnesses and diseases;

(4) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(5) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies; and

(6) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 12a. **Population focus.** "Population focus" means the categories of patients for which the advanced practice registered nurse has the educational preparation to provide care and services. The categories of population foci are:

(1) family and individual across the life span;

(2) adult gerontology;

- (3) neonatal;
- (4) pediatrics;
- (5) women's and gender-related health; and
- (6) psychiatric and mental health.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **Practice of advanced practice registered nursing.** (a) The "practice of advanced practice registered nursing" means the performance of clinical nurse specialist practice, nurse-midwife practice, nurse practitioner practice, or registered nurse anesthetist practice as defined in subdivisions 5, 10, 11, and 21 an expanded scope of nursing in at least one of the recognized advanced practice registered nurse roles for at least one population focus. The scope and practice standards of an advanced practice registered nurse are defined by the national professional nursing organizations specific to the practice as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or registered nurse anesthetist in the population focus. The scope of advanced practice registered nursing includes, but is not limited to, performing acts of advanced assessment, diagnosing, prescribing, and ordering. The practice includes functioning as a primary care provider, direct care provider, case manager, consultant, educator, and researcher. The practice of advanced practice registered nursing also includes accepting referrals from, consulting with, cooperating with, or referring to all other types of health care providers, including but not limited to physicians, chiropractors, podiatrists, and dentists, provided that the advanced practice registered nurse and the other provider are practicing within their scopes of practice as defined in state law. The advanced practice registered nurse must practice within a health care system that provides for consultation, collaborative management, and referral as indicated by the health status of the patient.

(b) The practice of advanced practice registered nursing requires the advanced practice registered nurse to be accountable: (1) to patients for the quality of advanced nursing care rendered; (2) for recognizing limits of knowledge and experience; and (3) for planning for the management of situations beyond the advanced practice registered nurse's expertise. The practice of advanced practice registered nursing includes accepting referrals from, consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. **Prescribing.** "Prescribing" means the act of generating a prescription for the preparation of, use of, or manner of using a drug or therapeutic device in accordance with the provisions of section 148.235. Prescribing does not include recommending the use of a drug or therapeutic device which is not required by the federal Food and Drug Administration to meet the labeling requirements for prescription drugs and devices. Prescribing also does not include recommending or administering a drug or therapeutic device perioperatively for anesthesia care and related services by a certified registered nurse anesthetist.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 17, is amended to read:

Subd. 17. **Prescription.** "Prescription" means a written direction or an oral direction reduced to writing provided to or for an individual patient for the preparation or use of a drug or therapeutic



device. In the case of a prescription for a drug, the requirements of section 151.01, subdivisions 16, 16a, and 16b, shall apply.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 17a. **Primary care provider.** "Primary care provider" means a licensed health care provider who acts as the first point of care for comprehensive health maintenance and promotion, preventive care, and undiagnosed health concerns and who provides continuing care of varied health conditions not limited by cause, organ systems, or diagnosis.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, subdivision 21, is amended to read:

Subd. 21. **Registered nurse anesthetist practice.** (a) "Registered nurse anesthetist practice" means the provision of anesthesia care and related services within the context of collaborative management, including:

(1) selecting, obtaining, and administering drugs and therapeutic devices to facilitate diagnostic, therapeutic, and surgical procedures upon request, assignment, or referral by a patient's physician, dentist, or podiatrist;

(2) ordering, performing, supervising, and interpreting diagnostic studies;

(3) prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic therapies;

(4) providing anesthesia and analgesia for acute and chronic pain symptoms through noninvasive and interventional therapies, including the use of image-guided technology as needed for a selected therapy; and

(5) consulting with, collaborating with, or referring to other health care providers as warranted by the needs of the patient.

(b) Nurse anesthesia practice does not include:

(1) surgical implantation of intrathecal infusion pumps or spinal cord stimulators;

(2) surgical implantation of cements or plastics near or around the spinal column;

(3) nontraumatic laser disectomy;

(4) nontraumatic endoscopic disectomy;

(5) percutaneous vertebroplasties;

(6) percutaneous vertebral augmentation procedures; and

(7) percutaneous kyphoplasties.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.171, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 23. **Roles of advanced practice registered nurses.** "Role" means one of four recognized advanced practice registered nurse roles: certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA); certified nurse-midwife (CNM); certified clinical nurse specialist (CNS); or certified nurse practitioner (CNP).

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.181, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** The Board of Nursing consists of 16 members appointed by the governor, each of whom must be a resident of this state. Eight members must be registered nurses, each of whom must have graduated from an approved school of nursing, must be licensed and currently registered as a registered nurse in this state, and must have had at least five years experience in nursing practice, nursing administration, or nursing education immediately preceding appointment. One of the eight must have had at least two years executive or teaching experience in a baccalaureate degree nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251 during the five years immediately preceding appointment, one of the eight must have had at least two years executive or teaching experience in an associate degree nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251 during the five years immediately preceding appointment, one of the eight must be practicing professional nursing in a nursing home at the time of appointment, one of the eight must have had at least two years executive or teaching experience in a practical nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251 during the five years immediately preceding appointment, and one of the eight must be licensed and have national certification or recertification as a registered nurse anesthetist, nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, or clinical nurse specialist. Four of the eight must have had at least five years of experience in nursing practice or nursing administration immediately preceding appointment. Four members must be licensed practical nurses, each of whom must have graduated from an approved school of nursing, must be licensed and currently registered as a licensed practical nurse in this state, and must have had at least five years experience in nursing practice immediately preceding appointment. The remaining four members must be public members as defined by section 214.02.

A member may be reappointed but may not serve more than two full terms consecutively. The governor shall attempt to make appointments to the board that reflect the geography of the state. The board members who are nurses should as a whole reflect the broad mix of practice types and sites of nurses practicing in Minnesota.

Membership terms, compensation of members, removal of members, the filling of membership vacancies, and fiscal year and reporting requirements are as provided in sections 214.07 to 214.09. Any nurse on the board who during incumbency permanently ceases to be actively engaged in the practice of nursing or otherwise becomes disqualified for board membership is automatically removed, and the governor shall fill the vacancy. The provision of staff, administrative services, and office space; the review and processing of complaints; the setting of board fees; and other provisions relating to board operations are as provided in sections 148.171 to 148.285 and chapter 214. Each member of the board shall file with the secretary of state the constitutional oath of office before beginning the term of office.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.191, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Powers.** (a) The board is authorized to adopt and, from time to time, revise rules not inconsistent with the law, as may be necessary to enable it to carry into effect the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285. The board shall prescribe by rule curricula and standards for schools and courses preparing persons for licensure under sections 148.171 to 148.285. It shall conduct or provide for surveys of such schools and courses at such times as it may deem necessary. It shall approve such schools and courses as meet the requirements of sections 148.171 to 148.285 and board rules. It shall examine, license, and renew the license of duly qualified applicants. It shall hold examinations at least once in each year at such time and place as it may determine.

It shall by rule adopt, evaluate, and periodically revise, as necessary, requirements for licensure and for registration and renewal of registration as defined in section 148.231. It shall maintain a record of all persons licensed by the board to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing and all registered nurses who hold Minnesota licensure and registration and are certified as advanced practice registered nurses. It shall cause the prosecution of all persons violating sections 148.171 to 148.285 and have power to incur such necessary expense therefor. It shall register public health nurses who meet educational and other requirements established by the board by rule, including payment of a fee. It shall have power to issue subpoenas, and to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of all necessary documents and other evidentiary material. Any board member may administer oaths to witnesses, or take their affirmation. It shall keep a record of all its proceedings.

(b) The board shall have access to hospital, nursing home, and other medical records of a patient cared for by a nurse under review. If the board does not have a written consent from a patient permitting access to the patient's records, the nurse or facility shall delete any data in the record that identifies the patient before providing it to the board. The board shall have access to such other records as reasonably requested by the board to assist the board in its investigation. Nothing herein may be construed to allow access to any records protected by section 145.64. The board shall maintain any records obtained pursuant to this paragraph as investigative data under chapter 13.

(c) The board may accept and expend grants or gifts of money or in-kind services from a person, a public or private entity, or any other source for purposes consistent with the board's role and within the scope of its statutory authority.

(d) The board may accept registration fees for meetings and conferences conducted for the purposes of board activities that are within the scope of its authority.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.211, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. **Advanced practice registered nurse licensure.** (a) Effective January 1, 2016, no advanced practice nurse shall practice as an advanced practice registered nurse unless the advanced practice nurse is licensed by the board under this section.

(b) An applicant for a license to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) shall apply to the board in a format prescribed by the board and pay a fee in an amount determined under section 148.243.

(c) To be eligible for licensure an applicant:

(1) must hold a current Minnesota professional nursing license or demonstrate eligibility for licensure as a registered nurse in this state;

(2) must not hold an encumbered license as a registered nurse in any state or territory;

(3) must have completed a graduate level APRN program accredited by a nursing or nursing-related accrediting body that is recognized by the United States Secretary of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as acceptable to the board. The education must be in one of the four APRN roles for at least one population focus;

(4) must be currently certified by a national certifying body recognized by the board in the APRN role and population foci appropriate to educational preparation;

(5) must report any criminal conviction, nolo contendere plea, Alford Plea, or other plea arrangement in lieu of conviction; and

(6) must not have committed any acts or omissions which are grounds for disciplinary action in another jurisdiction or, if these acts have been committed and would be grounds for disciplinary action as set forth in section 148.261, the board has found, after investigation, that sufficient restitution has been made.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.211, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1b. **Advanced practice registered nurse grandfather provision.** (a) The board shall issue a license to an applicant who does not meet the education requirements in subdivision 1a, paragraph (c), clause (3), if the applicant:

(1) is recognized by the board to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in this state on July 1, 2015;

(2) submits an application to the board in a format prescribed by the board and the applicable fee as determined under section 148.243 by January 1, 2016; and

(3) meets the requirements under subdivision 1a, paragraph (c), clauses (1), (2), (4), (5), and (6).

(b) An advanced practice registered nurse licensed under this subdivision shall maintain all practice privileges provided to licensed advanced practice registered nurses under this chapter.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.211, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Licensure by endorsement.** (a) The board shall issue a license to practice professional nursing or practical nursing without examination to an applicant who has been duly licensed or registered as a nurse under the laws of another state, territory, or country, if in the opinion of the board the applicant has the qualifications equivalent to the qualifications required in this state as stated in subdivision 1, all other laws not inconsistent with this section, and rules promulgated by the board.

(b) Effective January 1, 2016, an applicant for advanced practice registered nurse licensure by endorsement is eligible for licensure if the applicant meets the requirements in paragraph (a) and demonstrates:

(1) current national certification or recertification in the advanced role and population focus area; and

(2) compliance with the advanced practice nursing educational requirements that were in effect in Minnesota at the time the advanced practice registered nurse completed the advanced practice nursing education program.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.231, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Registration.** (a) Every person licensed to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing must maintain with the board a current registration for practice as a an advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, or licensed practical nurse which must be renewed at regular intervals established by the board by rule. No registration shall be issued by

the board to a nurse until the nurse has submitted satisfactory evidence of compliance with the procedures and minimum requirements established by the board.

~~The fee for periodic registration for practice as a nurse shall be determined by the board by law.~~  
(b) Upon receipt of the application and the required fees, as determined under section 148.243, the board shall verify the application and the evidence of completion of continuing education requirements in effect, and thereupon issue to the nurse registration for the next renewal period.

(c) An applicant for advanced practice registered nursing (APRN) renewal must provide evidence of current certification or recertification in the appropriate APRN role in at least one population focus by a nationally accredited certifying body recognized by the board.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.231, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Failure to register.** Any person licensed under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 who fails to register within the required period shall not be entitled to practice nursing in this state as an advanced practice registered nurse, a registered nurse, or a licensed practical nurse.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.231, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Reregistration.** A person whose registration has lapsed desiring to resume practice shall make application for reregistration, submit satisfactory evidence of compliance with the procedures and requirements established by the board, and pay the reregistration fee for the current period to the board. A penalty fee shall be required from a person who practiced nursing without current registration. Thereupon, registration shall be issued to the person who shall immediately be placed on the practicing list as an advanced practice registered nurse, a registered nurse, or a licensed practical nurse.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.233, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Advanced practice registered nurse.** ~~An advanced practice registered nurse certified as a certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist shall use the appropriate designation: RN,CNS; RN,CNM; RN,CNP; or RN,CRNA for personal identification and in documentation of services provided. Identification of educational degrees and specialty fields may be added.~~ (a) Only those persons who hold a current license to practice advanced practice registered nursing in this state may use the title advanced practice registered nurse with the role designation of certified registered nurse anesthetist, certified nurse-midwife, certified clinical nurse specialist, or certified nurse practitioner.

(b) An advanced practice registered nurse shall use the appropriate designation: APRN, CNS; APRN, CNM; APRN, CNP; or APRN, CRNA for personal identification and in documentation of services provided. Identification of educational degrees and specialty fields may be added.

(c) When providing nursing care, an advanced practice registered nurse shall provide clear identification of the appropriate advanced practice registered nurse designation.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.234, is amended to read:

**148.234 STATE BOUNDARIES CONSIDERATION.**

A nurse may perform medical patient care procedures and techniques at the direction of a physician, a podiatrist, or a dentist, or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed in another state, United States territory, or Canadian province if the physician, podiatrist, or dentist, or advanced practice registered nurse gave the direction after examining the patient and issued the direction in that state, United States territory, or Canadian province.

Nothing in this section allows a nurse to perform a medical procedure patient care procedure or technique at the direction of a physician, a podiatrist, or a dentist, or an advanced practice registered nurse that is illegal in this state.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.235, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7a. **Diagnosis, prescribing, and ordering.** Advanced practice registered nurses are authorized to:

(1) diagnose, prescribe, and institute therapy or referrals of patients to health care agencies and providers;

(2) prescribe, procure, sign for, record, administer, and dispense over-the-counter, legend, and controlled substances, including sample drugs; and

(3) plan and initiate a therapeutic regimen that includes ordering and prescribing durable medical devices and equipment, nutrition, diagnostic, and supportive services including, but not limited to, home health care, hospice, physical, and occupational therapy.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.235, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7b. **Drug Enforcement Administration requirements.** (a) Advanced practice registered nurses must:

(1) comply with federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) requirements related to controlled substances; and

(2) file any and all of the nurse's DEA registrations and numbers with the board.

(b) The board shall maintain current records of all advanced practice registered nurses with DEA registration and numbers.

Sec. 27. **[148.237] PAIN INTERVENTION THERAPIES.**

(a) The implementation of nonsurgical pain intervention therapies may only be provided upon referral by a physician, dentist, podiatrist, physician assistant, chiropractor, or advanced practice registered nurse to a licensed registered nurse anesthetist who has exhibited the requisite knowledge and competency by submitting to the board the following:

(1) documented completion of a postgraduate study program in advanced pain management therapies and image-guided technology that is acceptable to the board; or

(2) an advanced pain management specialty certification by a nationally or regionally accredited organization that is acceptable to the board.

(b) A registered nurse anesthetist who does not meet the education and certification requirements specified in this section by January 1, 2016, but who has been providing advanced pain management therapies prior to December 31, 2015, may continue to provide these therapies if the registered nurse anesthetist provides the board with documentation of practice in these therapies within the two-year period prior to December 31, 2015.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.251, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Initial approval.** An institution desiring to conduct a nursing program shall apply to the board and submit evidence that:

(1) It is prepared to provide a program of theory and practice in advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing that meets the program approval standards adopted by the board. Instruction and required experience may be obtained in one or more institutions or agencies outside the applying institution as long as the nursing program retains accountability for all clinical and nonclinical teaching.

(2) It is prepared to meet other standards established by law and by the board.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.261, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Grounds listed.** The board may deny, revoke, suspend, limit, or condition the license and registration of any person to practice advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing under sections 148.171 to 148.285, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or applicant as described in section 148.262. The following are grounds for disciplinary action:

(1) Failure to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfy the requirements for a license contained in sections 148.171 to 148.285 or rules of the board. In the case of a person applying for a license, the burden of proof is upon the applicant to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfaction of the requirements.

(2) Employing fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a permit, license, or registration certificate to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing or attempting to subvert the licensing examination process. Conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the licensing examination process includes, but is not limited to:

(i) conduct that violates the security of the examination materials, such as removing examination materials from the examination room or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination;

(ii) conduct that violates the standard of test administration, such as communicating with another examinee during administration of the examination, copying another examinee's answers, permitting another examinee to copy one's answers, or possessing unauthorized materials; or

(iii) impersonating an examinee or permitting an impersonator to take the examination on one's own behalf.

(3) Conviction of a felony or gross misdemeanor reasonably related to the practice of professional, advanced practice registered, or practical nursing. Conviction as used in this subdivision includes a conviction of an offense that if committed in this state would be considered a felony or gross misdemeanor without regard to its designation elsewhere, or a criminal proceeding where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or not entered.

(4) Revocation, suspension, limitation, conditioning, or other disciplinary action against the person's professional or practical nursing license or advanced practice registered nursing credential, in another state, territory, or country; failure to report to the board that charges regarding the person's nursing license or other credential are pending in another state, territory, or country; or having been refused a license or other credential by another state, territory, or country.

(5) Failure to or inability to perform professional or practical nursing as defined in section 148.171, subdivision 14 or 15, with reasonable skill and safety, including failure of a registered nurse to supervise or a licensed practical nurse to monitor adequately the performance of acts by any person working at the nurse's direction.

(6) Engaging in unprofessional conduct, including, but not limited to, a departure from or failure to conform to board rules of professional or practical nursing practice that interpret the statutory definition of professional or practical nursing as well as provide criteria for violations of the statutes, or, if no rule exists, to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing professional or practical nursing practice, or any nursing practice that may create unnecessary danger to a patient's life, health, or safety. Actual injury to a patient need not be established under this clause.

(7) Failure of an advanced practice registered nurse to practice with reasonable skill and safety or departure from or failure to conform to standards of acceptable and prevailing advanced practice registered nursing.

(8) Delegating or accepting the delegation of a nursing function or a prescribed health care function when the delegation or acceptance could reasonably be expected to result in unsafe or ineffective patient care.

(9) Actual or potential inability to practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or any other material, or as a result of any mental or physical condition.

(10) Adjudication as mentally incompetent, mentally ill, a chemically dependent person, or a person dangerous to the public by a court of competent jurisdiction, within or without this state.

(11) Engaging in any unethical conduct, including, but not limited to, conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, or demonstrating a willful or careless disregard for the health, welfare, or safety of a patient. Actual injury need not be established under this clause.

(12) Engaging in conduct with a patient that is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual, or in any verbal behavior that is seductive or sexually demeaning to a patient, or engaging in sexual exploitation of a patient or former patient.

(13) Obtaining money, property, or services from a patient, other than reasonable fees for services provided to the patient, through the use of undue influence, harassment, duress, deception, or fraud.



(14) Revealing a privileged communication from or relating to a patient except when otherwise required or permitted by law.

(15) Engaging in abusive or fraudulent billing practices, including violations of federal Medicare and Medicaid laws or state medical assistance laws.

(16) Improper management of patient records, including failure to maintain adequate patient records, to comply with a patient's request made pursuant to sections 144.291 to 144.298, or to furnish a patient record or report required by law.

(17) Knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing an unlicensed person to engage in the unlawful practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing.

(18) Violating a rule adopted by the board, an order of the board, or a state or federal law relating to the practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing, or a state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law.

(19) Knowingly providing false or misleading information that is directly related to the care of that patient unless done for an accepted therapeutic purpose such as the administration of a placebo.

(20) Aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:

(i) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;

(ii) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;

(iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or

(iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.

(21) Practicing outside the scope of practice authorized by section 148.171, subdivision 5, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, or 21.

~~(22) Practicing outside the specific field of nursing practice for which an advanced practice registered nurse is certified unless the practice is authorized under section 148.284.~~

~~(23)~~ (22) Making a false statement or knowingly providing false information to the board, failing to make reports as required by section 148.263, or failing to cooperate with an investigation of the board as required by section 148.265.

~~(24)~~ (23) Engaging in false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading advertising.

~~(25)~~ (24) Failure to inform the board of the person's certification or recertification status as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified clinical nurse specialist.

~~(26)~~ (25) Engaging in clinical nurse specialist practice, nurse-midwife practice, nurse practitioner practice, or registered nurse anesthetist practice without a license and current certification or recertification by a national nurse certification organization acceptable to the board; ~~except during the period between completion of an advanced practice registered nurse course of study and certification, not to exceed six months or as authorized by the board.~~

~~(27)~~ (26) Engaging in conduct that is prohibited under section 145.412.

~~(28)~~ (27) Failing to report employment to the board as required by section 148.211, subdivision 2a, or knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing a person to fail to report as required by section 148.211, subdivision 2a.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.262, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Forms of disciplinary action.** When the board finds that grounds for disciplinary action exist under section 148.261, subdivision 1, it may take one or more of the following actions:

- (1) deny the license, registration, or registration renewal;
- (2) revoke the license;
- (3) suspend the license;
- (4) impose limitations on the nurse's practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~; or practical nursing including, but not limited to, limitation of scope of practice or the requirement of practice under supervision;
- (5) impose conditions on the retention of the license including, but not limited to, the imposition of retraining or rehabilitation requirements or the conditioning of continued practice on demonstration of knowledge or skills by appropriate examination, monitoring, or other review;
- (6) impose a civil penalty not exceeding \$10,000 for each separate violation, the amount of the civil penalty to be fixed as to deprive the nurse of any economic advantage gained by reason of the violation charged, to reimburse the board for the cost of counsel, investigation, and proceeding, and to discourage repeated violations;
- (7) order the nurse to provide unremunerated service;
- (8) censure or reprimand the nurse; or
- (9) any other action justified by the facts in the case.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.262, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Automatic suspension.** Unless the board orders otherwise, a license to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing is automatically suspended if:

- (1) a guardian of a nurse is appointed by order of a court under sections 524.5-101 to 524.5-502;
- (2) the nurse is committed by order of a court under chapter 253B; or
- (3) the nurse is determined to be mentally incompetent, mentally ill, chemically dependent, or a person dangerous to the public by a court of competent jurisdiction within or without this state.

The license remains suspended until the nurse is restored to capacity by a court and, upon petition by the nurse, the suspension is terminated by the board after a hearing or upon agreement between the board and the nurse.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.262, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Reissuance.** The board may reinstate and reissue a license or registration certificate to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing, but as a condition may impose any disciplinary or corrective measure that it might originally have imposed. Any person whose license or registration has been revoked, suspended, or limited may have the license reinstated and a new registration issued when, in the discretion of the board, the action is warranted, provided that the person shall be required by the board to pay the costs of the proceedings resulting in the revocation, suspension, or limitation of the license or registration certificate and reinstatement of the license or registration certificate, and to pay the fee for the current registration period. The cost of proceedings shall include, but not be limited to, the cost paid by the board to the Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General for legal and investigative services, the costs of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, board staff time, travel, and expenses, and board members' per diem reimbursements, travel costs, and expenses.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.271, is amended to read:

**148.271 EXEMPTIONS.**

The provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 shall not prohibit:

- (1) The furnishing of nursing assistance in an emergency.
- (2) The practice of advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing by any legally qualified advanced practice, registered, or licensed practical nurse of another state who is employed by the United States government or any bureau, division, or agency thereof while in the discharge of official duties.
- (3) The practice of any profession or occupation licensed by the state, other than advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing, by any person duly licensed to practice the profession or occupation, or the performance by a person of any acts properly coming within the scope of the profession, occupation, or license.
- (4) The provision of a nursing or nursing-related service by a nursing assistant who has been delegated the specific function and is supervised by a registered nurse or monitored by a licensed practical nurse.
- (5) The care of the sick with or without compensation when done in a nursing home covered by the provisions of section 144A.09, subdivision 1.
- (6) Professional nursing practice or advanced practice registered nursing practice by a registered nurse or practical nursing practice by a licensed practical nurse licensed in another state or territory who is in Minnesota as a student enrolled in a formal, structured course of study, such as a course leading to a higher degree, certification in a nursing specialty, or to enhance skills in a clinical field, while the student is practicing in the course.

(7) Professional or practical nursing practice by a student practicing under the supervision of an instructor while the student is enrolled in a nursing program approved by the board under section 148.251.

(8) Advanced practice registered nursing as defined in section 148.171, subdivisions 5, 10, 11, 13, and 21, by a registered nurse who is licensed and currently registered in Minnesota or another United States jurisdiction and who is enrolled as a student in a formal graduate education program leading to eligibility for certification and licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse; ~~or by a registered nurse licensed and currently registered in Minnesota who has completed an advanced practice registered nurse course of study and is awaiting certification, the period not to exceed six months.~~

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.281, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Violations described.** It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, firm, or association, to:

(1) sell or fraudulently obtain or furnish any nursing diploma, license or record, or aid or abet therein;

(2) practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing; or practice as a public health nurse; ~~or practice as a certified clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, certified nurse practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist~~ under cover of any diploma, permit, license, registration certificate, advanced practice credential, or record illegally or fraudulently obtained or signed or issued unlawfully or under fraudulent representation;

(3) practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing unless the person has been issued a temporary permit under the provisions of section 148.212 or is duly licensed and currently registered to do so under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285;

(4) use the professional title nurse unless duly licensed to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285, except as authorized by the board by rule;

(5) use any abbreviation or other designation tending to imply licensure as ~~a an advanced practice registered nurse, a registered nurse, or a licensed~~ advanced practice registered nurse unless duly licensed and currently registered so to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 except as authorized by the board by rule;

(6) use any title, abbreviation, or other designation tending to imply certification as a certified registered nurse as defined in section 148.171, subdivision 22, unless duly certified by a national nurse certification organization;

(7) use any abbreviation or other designation tending to imply registration as a public health nurse unless duly registered by the board;

(8) practice advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing in a manner prohibited by the board in any limitation of a license or registration issued under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285;

(9) practice advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing during the time a license or current registration issued under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285 shall be suspended or revoked;

(10) conduct a nursing program for the education of persons to become advanced practice registered nurses, registered nurses, or licensed practical nurses unless the program has been approved by the board; and

(11) knowingly employ persons in the practice of advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing who have not been issued a current permit, license, or registration certificate to practice as a nurse in this state; and

~~(12) knowingly employ a person in advanced practice registered nursing unless the person meets the standards and practices of sections 148.171 to 148.285.~~

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.281, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. **Penalty; advanced practice registered nurses.** In addition to subdivision 2, an advanced practice registered nurse who practices advanced practice registered nursing without a current license and certification or recertification shall pay a penalty fee of \$200 for the first month or part of a month and an additional \$100 for each subsequent month or parts of months of practice. The amount of the penalty fee shall be calculated from the first day the advanced practice registered nurse practiced without a current advanced practice registered nurse license and certification to the last day of practice without a current license and certification, or from the first day the advanced practice registered nurse practiced without a current license and certification on file with the board until the day the current license and certification is filed with the board.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 148.283, is amended to read:

**148.283 UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL, ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED, AND PRACTICAL NURSING.**

The practice of advanced practice, professional, ~~advanced practice registered~~, or practical nursing by any person who has not been licensed to practice advanced practice, professional, or practical nursing under the provisions of sections 148.171 to 148.285, or whose license has been suspended or revoked, or whose registration or national credential has expired, is hereby declared to be inimical to the public health and welfare and to constitute a public nuisance. Upon a complaint being made thereof by the board; or any prosecuting officer, and upon a proper showing of the facts, the district court of the county where such practice occurred may enjoin such acts and practice. Such injunction proceeding shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, all other penalties and remedies provided by law.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 151.01, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. **Practitioner.** "Practitioner" means a licensed doctor of medicine, licensed doctor of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, licensed doctor of dentistry, licensed doctor of optometry, licensed podiatrist, ~~or licensed veterinarian~~, or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse. For purposes of sections 151.15, subdivision 4; 151.37, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b), (e), and (f); and 151.461, "practitioner" also means a physician assistant authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer under chapter 147A, ~~or an advanced practice nurse authorized to prescribe,~~

dispense, and administer under section 148.235. For purposes of sections 151.15, subdivision 4; 151.37, subdivision 2, paragraph (b); and 151.461, "practitioner" also means a dental therapist authorized to dispense and administer under chapter 150A.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 152.12, is amended to read:

**152.12 DOCTORS HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS MAY PRESCRIBE.**

Subdivision 1. **Prescribing, dispensing, administering controlled substances in Schedules II through V.** A licensed doctor of medicine, a doctor of osteopathy, duly licensed to practice medicine, a doctor of dental surgery, a doctor of dental medicine, a licensed doctor of podiatry, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse, or a licensed doctor of optometry limited to Schedules IV and V, and in the course of professional practice only, may prescribe, administer, and dispense a controlled substance included in Schedules II through V of section 152.02, may cause the same to be administered by a nurse, an intern or an assistant under the direction and supervision of the doctor, and may cause a person who is an appropriately certified and licensed health care professional to prescribe and administer the same within the expressed legal scope of the person's practice as defined in Minnesota Statutes.

Subd. 2. **Doctor of veterinary medicine.** A licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, in good faith, and in the course of professional practice only, and not for use by a human being, may prescribe, administer, and dispense a controlled substance included in Schedules II through V of section 152.02, and may cause the same to be administered by an assistant under the direction and supervision of the doctor.

Subd. 3. **Research project use of controlled substances.** Any qualified person may use controlled substances in the course of a bona fide research project but cannot administer or dispense such drugs to human beings unless such drugs are prescribed, dispensed and administered by a person lawfully authorized to do so. Every person who engages in research involving the use of such substances shall apply annually for registration by the state Board of Pharmacy and shall pay any applicable fee specified in section 151.065, provided that such registration shall not be required if the person is covered by and has complied with federal laws covering such research projects.

Subd. 4. **Sale of controlled substances not prohibited for certain persons and entities.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the sale to, or the possession of, a controlled substance in Schedule II, III, IV or V by: Registered drug wholesalers, registered manufacturers, registered pharmacies, or any licensed hospital or other licensed institutions wherein sick and injured persons are cared for or treated, or bona fide hospitals wherein animals are treated; or by licensed pharmacists, licensed doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, licensed doctors of dental surgery, licensed doctors of dental medicine, licensed doctors of podiatry, licensed doctors of optometry limited to Schedules IV and V, or licensed doctors of veterinary medicine when such practitioners use controlled substances within the course of their professional practice only.

Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the possession of a controlled substance in Schedule II, III, IV or V by an employee or agent of a registered drug wholesaler, registered manufacturer, or registered pharmacy, while acting in the course of employment; by a patient of a licensed doctor of medicine, a doctor of osteopathy duly licensed to practice medicine, a licensed doctor of dental surgery, a licensed doctor of dental medicine, or a licensed doctor of optometry limited to Schedules

IV and V; or by the owner of an animal for which a controlled substance has been prescribed by a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, when such controlled substances are dispensed according to law.

Subd. 5. **Analytical laboratory not prohibited from providing anonymous analysis service.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit an analytical laboratory from conducting an anonymous analysis service when such laboratory is registered by the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration, nor prohibit the possession of a controlled substance by an employee or agent of such analytical laboratory while acting in the course of employment.

Sec. 39. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 148.171, subdivision 6; 148.235, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 4, 4a, 4b, 6, and 7; and 148.284, are repealed.

Sec. 40. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 39 are effective January 1, 2016."

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

### SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 2752, 2168, 2622, 2470, 1889, 2639, 2627, 2571, 2736, 2047, 771, 2262, 1799, 2260, 2729, 2397, 2607, 2771, 1975, 2490, 2287, 2742, 2463, 2319 and 2154 were read the second time.

### INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

**Senator Lourey introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2881:** A bill for an act relating to health; creating the Legislative Health Care Workforce Commission; requiring report.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senators Chamberlain and Nienow introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2882:** A bill for an act relating to education; modifying certain school liability provisions; creating a civil cause of action; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 617.291, subdivision 2; 617.295; 617.296, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**Senator Sieben introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2883:** A bill for an act relating to constitutional amendments; codifying the authority for the legislature to provide a title for a constitutional amendment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 204D.15, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Senators Clausen, Tomassoni and Dahle introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2884:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; making a sales tax exemption on school tickets and admissions permanent; amending Laws 2006, chapter 257, section 2, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senator Lourey introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2885:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying requirements for positive support strategies and emergency manual restraint; modifying rulemaking authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 245.8251; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 245.825, subdivisions 1, 1b; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, sections 245D.02, subdivisions 2b, 2c, 3b, 5a, 8a, 15a, 15b, 23b, 28, 29, 34a; 245D.06, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, 8; 245D.061, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Minnesota Rules, parts 9525.2700; 9525.2810.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

**Senator Johnson introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2886:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing purchase of service credit from the public employees retirement association for omitted service.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Hoffman introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2887:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; motor vehicles; eliminating barriers to the purchase of electric and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles by state agencies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 16C.138, subdivision 2; 160.02, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Newman introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2888:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying participation requirements in certain public health care programs for dental service providers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 256B.0644.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.



**Senator Newman introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2889:** A bill for an act relating to disaster relief; authorizing state grants to eligible utility cooperatives to match federal disaster assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 12A.15, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senator Eken introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2890:** A bill for an act relating to economic development; providing an ICF/DD rate increase to cover expenses related to a minimum wage increase; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 256B.5012, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senator Saxhaug introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2891:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for a report on cattail control.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senator Eaton introduced—**

**S.F. No. 2892:** A bill for an act relating to human services; implementing the autism spectrum disorder statewide strategic plan; repealing Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 9, article 6, section 95, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4.

Referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services and Housing.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Senator Schmit moved that the name of Senator Sieben be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1675. The motion prevailed.

Senator Eaton moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1901. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rosen moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2168. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koenen moved that the name of Senator Westrom be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2333. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wiklund moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2775. The motion prevailed.

Senator Jensen moved that the name of Senator Dziejcz be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2796. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rosen moved that S.F. No. 2135 be withdrawn from the Committee on Finance and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. The motion prevailed.

Senator Scalze moved that S.F. No. 2774 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on Finance. The motion prevailed.

**Senator Stumpf introduced –**

**Senate Resolution No. 183:** A Senate resolution congratulating the East Grand Forks High School boys hockey team on winning the 2014 State High School Class 1A boys hockey championship.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Senators Bonoff and Osmek introduced –**

**Senate Resolution No. 184:** A Senate resolution designating Excelsior the Ice Dive Capital of Minnesota.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

Pursuant to Rule 26, Senator Bakk, Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, designated the following bills a Special Orders Calendar to be heard immediately:

S.F. Nos. 1892 and 2100.

**SPECIAL ORDER**

**S.F. No. 1892:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; highways; designating a segment of marked Trunk Highway 36 as Officer Richard Crittenden Memorial Highway; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 65 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Dziedzic	Jensen	Ortman	Senjem
Bakk	Eaton	Johnson	Osmek	Sheran
Benson	Eken	Kent	Pappas	Sieben
Bonoff	Fischbach	Kiffmeyer	Pederson, J.	Skoe
Brown	Franzen	Koenen	Petersen, B.	Sparks
Carlson	Gazelka	Limmer	Pratt	Stumpf
Chamberlain	Goodwin	Lourey	Reinert	Thompson
Champion	Hall	Marty	Rest	Tomassoni
Clausen	Hann	Metzen	Rosen	Torres Ray
Cohen	Hawj	Miller	Ruud	Weber
Dahle	Hayden	Nelson	Saxhaug	Westrom
Dahms	Housley	Newman	Scalze	Wiger
Dibble	Ingebrigtsen	Nienow	Schmit	Wiklund

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

**RECESS**

Senator Hayden moved that the Senate do now recess subject to the call of the President. The motion prevailed.

After a brief recess, the President called the Senate to order.

**SPECIAL ORDER**

**S.F. No. 2100:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; deputy registrars; removing the residency requirement for deputy registrars; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 168.33, subdivision 2.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 4, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Eaton	Johnson	Pappas	Sieben
Bakk	Eken	Kent	Pederson, J.	Skoe
Benson	Fischbach	Kiffmeyer	Petersen, B.	Sparks
Bonoff	Franzen	Koenen	Pratt	Stumpf
Brown	Gazelka	Limmer	Reinert	Tomassoni
Carlson	Goodwin	Lourey	Rest	Torres Ray
Chamberlain	Hall	Metzen	Rosen	Weber
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Clausen	Hawj	Nelson	Saxhaug	Wiklund
Cohen	Hayden	Newman	Scalze	
Dahle	Housley	Nienow	Schmit	
Dibble	Ingebrigtsen	Ortman	Senjem	
Dziedzic	Jensen	Osmek	Sheran	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Dahms	Marty	Thompson	Westrom
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So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Senators Hoffman and Latz were excused from the Session of today.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Bakk moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 26, 2014. The motion prevailed.

JoAnne M. Zoff, Secretary of the Senate

