

State of Minnesota

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(5) any required hours of instruction in any class or subject area for a student who is meeting all competencies consistent with the graduation standards described in the innovation zone plan; and

(6) statewide assessment requirements under chapter 120B, in accordance with paragraph (b).

~~(b) The exemptions under this subdivision must not be construed as exempting an innovation zone partner from the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments. An innovation zone partner with an approved plan may submit to the commissioner a request to amend its plan to replace one or more of the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments administered in high school with a nationally recognized high school academic assessment. An innovation zone partner must submit the request to amend its plan in the form and manner determined by the commissioner. Within 60 days of receiving the request, the commissioner must request approval under the most recent reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act for the innovation zone partner to administer the nationally recognized high school academic assessment in place of one or more of the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments. The innovation zone partner may not implement the requested change until the request is approved by the United States Department of Education and the amended innovation zone plan is approved by the commissioner.~~

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