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H. F. No. 1248

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance
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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to the West Metro Education Program; conveying school buildings to
1.3 member districts; providing for an orderly transition.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **WEST METRO EDUCATION PROGRAM; PROPERTY**
1.6 **CONVEYANCE.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **FAIR School downtown.** Notwithstanding the appropriations of state
1.8 general obligation bond proceeds in Laws 1994, chapter 643, section 14, subdivision 7,
1.9 and Laws 1998, chapter 404, section 5, subdivision 5, as amended by Laws 1999, chapter
1.10 241, article 4, section 20; and the appropriation of general fund money in Laws 1997, First
1.11 Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 51, subdivision 13, to Joint Powers District No.
1.12 6069, West Metro Education Program, to acquire and better the FAIR School downtown
1.13 in Minneapolis, the real and personal property of the FAIR School downtown may be
1.14 conveyed to Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis, for operation of a multidistrict
1.15 integration facility that serves students in any grade from early education through grade 12.

1.16 Subd. 2. **FAIR School Crystal.** Notwithstanding the appropriation of state general
1.17 obligation bond proceeds in Laws 1998, chapter 404, section 5, subdivision 5, as amended
1.18 by Laws 1999, chapter 241, article 4, section 20; and the appropriation of general fund
1.19 money in Laws 1997, First Special Session chapter 4, article 2, section 51, subdivision 13,
1.20 and Laws 2000, chapter 492, article 1, section 5, subdivision 2, to Joint Powers District
1.21 No. 6069, West Metro Education Program, to acquire and better the FAIR School Crystal
1.22 in Crystal, the real and personal property of the FAIR School Crystal may be conveyed
1.23 to Independent School District No. 281, Robbinsdale, for operation of a multidistrict
1.24 integration facility that serves students in any grade from early education through grade 12.

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

2.2 Sec. 2. **FAIR SCHOOL DOWNTOWN TRANSITION.**

2.3 Subdivision 1. **Student enrollment.** A student enrolled in the FAIR School
2.4 downtown during the 2014-2015 school year and a student accepted for enrollment during
2.5 the 2015-2016 school year may continue to enroll in the FAIR School downtown in any
2.6 year through the 2018-2019 school year. For the 2015-2016 school year and later, other
2.7 students may apply for enrollment under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.03.

2.8 Subd. 2. **Compensatory revenue; literacy aid; alternative compensation**
2.9 **revenue.** For the 2015-2016 school year only, the Department of Education must calculate
2.10 compensatory revenue, literacy aid, and alternative compensation revenue for the FAIR
2.11 School downtown based on the October 1, 2014, enrollment counts.

2.12 Subd. 3. **Pupil transportation.** The district may transport a pupil enrolled in the
2.13 2014-2015 school year and a pupil accepted for enrollment during the 2015-2016 school
2.14 year to and from the FAIR School downtown in succeeding school years regardless of
2.15 the pupil's district of residence. Pupil transportation expenses under this section are
2.16 reimbursable under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.87.

2.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following the date on which
2.18 the real and personal property of the FAIR School downtown in Minneapolis is conveyed
2.19 to Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis.

2.20 Sec. 3. **FAIR SCHOOL CRYSTAL TRANSITION.**

2.21 Subdivision 1. **Student enrollment.** A student enrolled in the FAIR School
2.22 Crystal during the 2014-2015 school year and a student accepted for enrollment during
2.23 the 2015-2016 school year may continue to enroll in the FAIR School Crystal in any
2.24 year through the 2019-2020 school year. For the 2015-2016 school year and later, other
2.25 students may apply for enrollment under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.03.

2.26 Subd. 2. **Compensatory revenue; literacy aid; alternative compensation**
2.27 **revenue.** For the 2015-2016 school year only, the Department of Education must calculate
2.28 compensatory revenue, literacy aid, and alternative compensation revenue for the FAIR
2.29 School Crystal based on the October 1, 2014, enrollment counts.

2.30 Subd. 3. **Pupil transportation.** The district may transport a pupil enrolled in
2.31 the 2014-2015 school year and a pupil accepted for enrollment during the 2015-2016
2.32 school year to and from the FAIR School Crystal in succeeding school years regardless
2.33 of the pupil's district of residence. Pupil transportation expenses under this section are
2.34 reimbursable under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.87.

3.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following the date on which
3.2 the real and personal property of the FAIR School Crystal in Crystal is conveyed to
3.3 Independent School District No. 281, Robbinsdale.