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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3378

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; appropriating money to the Board of Regents of
1.3 the University of Minnesota to enhance certain activities of the institutional
1.4 review board.

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

1.6 Section 1. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA; INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW
1.7 BOARD; APPROPRIATION.

1.8 (a) \$...... in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board
1.9 of Regents of the University of Minnesota to expand and strengthen the oversight,
1.10 compliance, and training functions of the university's institutional review board. The
1.11 appropriation must be used to:

1.12 (1) further develop and clarify existing university policies and procedures related
1.13 to the lawful and ethical treatment of human subjects and human tissue in research
1.14 activities, including enhancement of applicable penalties for violation of these policies
1.15 and procedures;

1.16 (2) institute a system of frequent, random, unannounced inspections and audits of
1.17 research activities involving human tissue to verify compliance with applicable federal
1.18 and state laws, university policies and procedures, and other professional standards related
1.19 to purchasing, handling, and disposing of human tissue;

1.20 (3) conduct education and outreach programs, including instituting a required
1.21 comprehensive training program, on applicable federal and state laws, university policies
1.22 and procedures, and other professional standards related to the respectful, humane, and
1.23 ethical treatment of human subjects and human tissue in research, for all students and
1.24 employees engaged in these activities; and

2.1 (4) establish an anonymous reporting system to receive complaints of activities that
2.2 may violate applicable federal and state laws, university policies and procedures, and
2.3 other professional standards in research involving human subjects and human tissue by
2.4 the university, university students or employees, or any other person engaged in research
2.5 activities in university facilities.

2.6 (b) As used in this section, "human tissue" includes, but is not limited to, fetal
2.7 tissue and embryonic stem cells or tissue.