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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2282

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; extending the maximum number of e-learning days;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 120A.41; 120A.414, subdivision 1.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 120A.41, is amended to read:

1.6 120A.41 LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR; HOURS OF INSTRUCTION.

1.7 (a) A school board's annual school calendar must include at least 425 hours of instruction
1.8 for a kindergarten student without a disability, 935 hours of instruction for a student in
1.9 grades 1 through 6, and 1,020 hours of instruction for a student in grades 7 through 12, not
1.10 including summer school. The school calendar for all-day kindergarten must include at least
1.11 850 hours of instruction for the school year. The school calendar for a prekindergarten
1.12 student under section 124D.151, if offered by the district, must include at least 350 hours
1.13 of instruction for the school year. A school board's annual calendar must include at least
1.14 165 days of instruction for a student in grades 1 through 11 unless a four-day week schedule
1.15 has been approved by the commissioner under section 124D.126.

1.16 (b) A school board's annual school calendar may include plans for up to ~~five~~ ten days
1.17 of instruction provided through online instruction due to inclement weather. The inclement
1.18 weather plans must be developed according to section 120A.414.

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

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 120A.414, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.2 Subdivision 1. **Days.** "E-learning day" means a school day where a school offers full
2.3 access to online instruction provided by students' individual teachers due to inclement
2.4 weather. A school district or charter school that chooses to have e-learning days may have
2.5 up to ~~five~~ ten e-learning days in one school year. An e-learning day is counted as a day of
2.6 instruction and included in the hours of instruction under section 120A.41.

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

2.8 Sec. 3. **SCHOOL CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT; 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR.**

2.9 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 120A.414, subdivision 3, a school board,
2.10 after consulting with the exclusive representative of its teachers, may adjust its e-learning
2.11 days plan for the 2018-2019 school year.

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