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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **3665**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; providing funding to evaluate the Minnesota
1.3 teacher licensure exam; appropriating money; requiring a report; amending Laws
1.4 2015, First Special Session chapter 3, article 12, section 4, subdivision 2.

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

1.6 Section 1. Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 3, article 12, section 4, subdivision
1.7 2, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 2. **Department.** (a) For the Department of Education:

1.9 \$ 21,246,000 2016

1.10 21,973,000

1.11 \$ 22,023,000 2017

1.12 Of these amounts:

1.13 (1) \$50,000 in fiscal year 2017 only is to contract with the Center for Applied
1.14 Research and Educational Improvement at the University of Minnesota for a
1.15 comprehensive evaluation on the relationship between teachers' performance on teacher
1.16 licensure skills exams and teacher preparation, teacher performance, and student
1.17 outcomes. The department must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority
1.18 members of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade
1.19 12 education upon completion of the evaluation. The Board of Teaching, upon request,
1.20 must provide technical assistance and support to aid in the completion of the report;

1.21 (2) \$718,000 each year is for the Board of Teaching;

1.22 ~~(2)~~ (3) \$228,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$231,000 in fiscal year 2017 are for the
1.23 Board of School Administrators;

1.24 ~~(3)~~ (4) \$1,000,000 each year is for Regional Centers of Excellence under Minnesota
1.25 Statutes, section 120B.115;

2.1 ~~(4)~~ (5) \$500,000 each year is for the School Safety Technical Assistance Center
2.2 under Minnesota Statutes, section 127A.052;

2.3 ~~(5)~~ (6) \$250,000 each year is for the School Finance Division to enhance financial
2.4 data analysis; and

2.5 ~~(6)~~ (7) \$441,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$720,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for
2.6 implementing Laws 2014, chapter 272, article 1, Minnesota's Learning for English
2.7 Academic Proficiency and Success Act, as amended.

2.8 (b) Any balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.

2.9 (c) None of the amounts appropriated under this subdivision may be used for
2.10 Minnesota's Washington, D.C. office.

2.11 (d) The expenditures of federal grants and aids as shown in the biennial budget
2.12 document and its supplements are approved and appropriated and shall be spent as
2.13 indicated.

2.14 (e) This appropriation includes funds for information technology project services and
2.15 support subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 16E.0466. Any ongoing
2.16 information technology costs will be incorporated into the service level agreement and
2.17 will be paid to the Office of MN.IT Services by the Department of Education under the
2.18 rates and mechanism specified in that agreement.

2.19 (f) The agency's base budget in fiscal year 2018 is \$21,973,000. The agency's base
2.20 budget in fiscal year 2019 is \$21,948,000.