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H. F. No. 326

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; fire marshal; revising school inspection schedules and  
1.3 funding; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 299F.012, subdivision 1;  
1.4 299F.47, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 299F.47,  
1.5 subdivision 2.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 299F.012, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.8 Subdivision 1. **Authorized programs within department.** From the revenues  
1.9 appropriated from the fire safety account, established under section 297I.06, subdivision  
1.10 3, the commissioner of public safety may expend funds for the activities and programs  
1.11 identified by the advisory committee established under subdivision 2 and recommended to  
1.12 the commissioner of public safety. Except as provided for in section 299F.47, subdivision  
1.13 1, the commissioner shall not expend funds without the recommendation of the advisory  
1.14 committee established under subdivision 2. These funds are to be used to provide  
1.15 resources needed for identified activities and programs of the Minnesota fire service and to  
1.16 ensure the State Fire Marshal Division responsibilities are fulfilled.

1.17 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 299F.47, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.18 Subdivision 1. **Public and charter school inspections; fees.** The state fire marshal  
1.19 shall develop and implement a plan to inspect ~~once every three years~~ every public and  
1.20 charter school facility used for educational purposes once every three years, and include  
1.21 two follow-up inspections or on-site consultations. The state fire marshal shall charge  
1.22 school districts \$0.014 per square foot for each school building inspected. These rates shall  
1.23 include two follow-up inspections or on-site consultations. Inspections required under this  
1.24 section shall be funded from the fire safety account established under section 297I.06. If

2.1 additional follow-up inspections or consultations are needed, the state fire marshal shall  
2.2 charge the school district or charter school \$0.005 per square foot for each additional  
2.3 follow-up inspection to each applicable building in which a follow-up inspection is needed.

2.4 Sec. 3. **REPEALER.**

2.5 Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 299F.47, subdivision 2, is repealed.

APPENDIX  
Repealed Minnesota Statutes: 15-1667

**299F.47 SCHOOL INSPECTIONS.**

Subd. 2. **Charter school inspections; fees.** The state fire marshal shall charge charter schools \$100 for each school building inspected. This rate shall include two follow-up inspections or on-site consultations. If additional follow-up inspections or consultations are needed, the state fire marshal shall charge \$50 for each additional follow-up inspection to each applicable building in which a follow-up inspection is needed.