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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 1883

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy
- 03/11/2019 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy
- 03/20/2019 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
Read for the Second Time
- 04/08/2019 Calendar for the Day, Amended
Read Third Time as Amended
Passed by the House as Amended and transmitted to the Senate to include Floor Amendments

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to education; foster care; requiring a student in foster care to be enrolled

1.3 in school; requiring a report on foster youth school enrollment; amending Minnesota

1.4 Statutes 2018, section 257.0725; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota

1.5 Statutes, chapter 120A.

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

1.7 Section 1. 120A.21 ENROLLMENT OF A STUDENT IN FOSTER CARE.

1.8 A student placed in foster care must remain enrolled in the student's prior school unless

1.9 it is determined that remaining enrolled in the prior school is not in the student's best interests.

1.10 If the student does not remain enrolled in the prior school, the student must be enrolled in

1.11 a new school within seven school days.

1.12 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 257.0725, is amended to read:

1.13 **257.0725 ANNUAL REPORT.**

1.14 The commissioner of human services shall publish an annual report on child maltreatment

1.15 and on children in out-of-home placement. The commissioner shall confer with counties,

1.16 child welfare organizations, child advocacy organizations, the courts, and other groups on

1.17 how to improve the content and utility of the department's annual report. In regard to child

1.18 maltreatment, the report shall include the number and kinds of maltreatment reports received

1.19 and any other data that the commissioner determines is appropriate to include in a report

1.20 on child maltreatment. In regard to children in out-of-home placement, the report shall

1.21 include, by county and statewide, information on legal status, living arrangement, age, sex,

1.22 race, accumulated length of time in placement, reason for most recent placement, race of

1.23 family with whom placed, school enrollments within seven days of placement pursuant to

- 2.1 section 120A.21, and other information deemed appropriate on all children in out-of-home
- 2.2 placement. Out-of-home placement includes placement in any facility by an authorized
- 2.3 child-placing agency.