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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2778

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; modifying a report from the advisory committees for
1.3 the deaf and hard-of-hearing and the blind and visually impaired; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 125A.63, subdivision 4.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 125A.63, subdivision 4,
1.7 is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 4. **Advisory committees.** (a) The commissioner shall establish advisory
1.9 committees for the deaf and hard-of-hearing and for the blind and visually impaired. The
1.10 advisory committees shall develop recommendations and submit an annual report to the
1.11 commissioner on the form and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner.

1.12 (b) The advisory committees for the deaf and hard of hearing and for the blind and
1.13 visually impaired shall meet periodically at least four times per year ~~and~~. The committees
1.14 must each review, approve, and submit an annual a biennial report to the commissioner,
1.15 the education policy and finance committees of the legislature, and the Commission of
1.16 Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard-of-Hearing Minnesotans. The reports must, at least:

1.17 (1) identify and report the aggregate, data-based education outcomes for children
1.18 with the primary disability classification of deaf and hard of hearing or of blind and
1.19 visually impaired, consistent with the commissioner's child count reporting practices, the
1.20 commissioner's state and local outcome data reporting system by district and region, and
1.21 the school performance report cards under section 120B.36, subdivision 1; and

1.22 (2) describe the implementation of a data-based plan for improving the education
1.23 outcomes of deaf and hard of hearing or blind and visually impaired children that is

- 2.1 premised on evidence-based best practices, and provide a cost estimate for ongoing
- 2.2 implementation of the plan.