

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETIETH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 2900**

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/01/2018	6247	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to E-12 Policy
03/14/2018		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to education; fire safety; authorizing alternative fire drills for schools and

1.3 educational institutions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 299F.30,

1.4 subdivisions 1, 2.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 299F.30, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Duties of fire marshal.** Consistent with sections 121A.035, 121A.037,

1.8 and this section, it shall be the duty of the state fire marshal, deputies and assistants, to

1.9 require public and private schools and educational institutions to have at least five fire drills

1.10 each school year, including at least one drill as provided under subdivision 2, paragraph

1.11 (a), and to keep all doors and exits unlocked from the inside of the building during school

1.12 hours.

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

1.14 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 299F.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.15 Subd. 2. **Fire drill.** (a) Each superintendent, principal, or other person in charge of a

1.16 public or private school, educational institution, children's home or orphanage housing 20

1.17 or more students or other persons, shall instruct and train such students or other persons to

1.18 quickly and expeditiously quit the premises in case of fire or other emergency by means of

1.19 drills or rapid dismissals while such school, institution, home, or orphanage is in operation.

1.20 (b) In addition to the drill required under paragraph (a), a public or private school or

1.21 educational institution may implement an alternative fire drill that does not require students

1.22 or other persons to quit the premises.

2.1        (c) Records of ~~such~~ fire drills shall be posted so that such records are available for review  
2.2        by the state fire marshal at all times and shall include the drill date and the time required to  
2.3        evacuate the building, if the drill required an evacuation.

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