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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; establishing a developmental delay age limit working group;
1.3 requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY AGE LIMIT WORKING GROUP.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Working group. The Department of Education must establish a working
1.7 group on the age limit for children receiving special education services for developmental
1.8 delay.

1.9 Subd. 2. Members. (a) The commissioner must consult with the organizations identified
1.10 in paragraph (b) before naming appointed members to the working group.

1.11 (b) By July 1, 2025, the commissioner must appoint the following members to the
1.12 working group:

1.13 (1) the commissioner or the commissioner's designee;

1.14 (2) two representatives from Minnesota Administrators for Special Education, consisting
1.15 of one member from the seven-county metropolitan area and one member from outside the
1.16 metropolitan area;

1.17 (3) one representative from the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board;

1.18 (4) two representatives from the Minnesota Association of Colleges for Teacher
1.19 Education;

1.20 (5) two representatives from Education Minnesota, consisting of one member from the
1.21 seven-county metropolitan area and one member from outside the metropolitan area; and

2.1 (6) two representatives from the PACER Center.

2.2 Subd. 3. **Duties.** The working group must meet on a regular basis and review current  
2.3 law limiting the eligibility of children over the age of six years from receiving intervention  
2.4 services for developmental delay, and assess the impact of raising eligibility to age seven.  
2.5 The working group must report its findings and recommendations to the legislative  
2.6 committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education by February 1,  
2.7 2026.

2.8 Subd. 4. **Administrative provisions.** (a) The commissioner or commissioner's designee  
2.9 must convene the initial meeting of the working group. Upon request, the commissioner  
2.10 must provide meeting space and administrative support for the group.

2.11 (b) Members of the working group serve without compensation or payment of expenses.

2.12 (c) The working group expires February 1, 2026, or upon submission of the report to  
2.13 the legislature required under subdivision 3, whichever is earlier.

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