CHAPTER 219-H.F.No.936

An act relating to education; expanding a definition of "American Indian child"; providing for membership on the American Indian language and culture education advisory task force; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 126.47, Subdivision 2; and Chapter 126, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978. Section 126.53.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 126.47, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. "American Indian child" means any child, living on or off a reservation, who is an enrolled member of or eligible for enrollment in a federally recognized tribe.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapter 126, is amended by adding a section to read:

[126.531] ADVISORY TASK FORCE ON AMERICAN INDIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE EDUCATION PROGRAMS. Subdivision 1. The Minnesota Indian Affairs intertribal board shall nominate 15 persons for membership to the American Indian language and culture education advisory task force. The state board of education shall appoint nine persons from those so nominated to constitute the task force. Members shall include representatives of community groups, parents of children eligible to be served by the programs, American Indian administrators and teachers, persons experienced in the training of teachers for American Indian language and culture education programs, persons involved in programs for American Indian children in nonsectarian nonpublic, urban, community, tribal or alternative schools and persons knowledgeable in the field of American Indian language and culture education. Members shall be appointed so as to be representative of significant segments of the population of American Indians.

- <u>Subd. 2.</u> **DUTIES.** The advisory task force on American Indian language and culture education programs shall advise the state board in the administration of its duties under sections 126.45 to 126.55.
- Subd. 3. The advisory task force shall expire and the terms, compensation and removal of members shall be as provided for in section 15.059, subdivision 6.
 - Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 126.53, is repealed.

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