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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 3540

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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 an open-door requirement; proposing coding
1.3 for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 121A.

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

1.5 Section 1. 121A.13] OPEN-DOOR REQUIREMENT.

1.6 A school district or charter school must prohibit a teacher, administrator, independent
1.7 contractor, adult volunteer, school resource officer, or other school personnel from being
1.8 alone in a room with an individual student with the door shut, except in case of an emergency.
1.9 An adult may be in a room with an individual student if another adult is in the room, the
1.10 door to the room remains open, or there is a window with a clear line of sight into the room.
1.11 Student support services personnel, as defined in section 124D.901, subdivision 1, are
1.12 excluded from the open-door requirement.

1.13 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for the 2024-2025 school year and later.