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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3655

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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; providing for substance misuse awareness and prevention
- 1.3 education; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **[120B.239] SUBSTANCE MISUSE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION.**
- 1.6 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the words defined in
- 1.7 this subdivision have the meanings given.
- 1.8 (b) "Public school" means a school district or charter school.
- 1.9 (c) "Substance misuse" has the meaning given in section 254A.02, subdivision 6a.
- 1.10 Subd. 2. **School instruction requirements.** (a) A public school must provide substance
- 1.11 misuse awareness and prevention instruction at least once to students in grades 6 through
- 1.12 8. A public school must use age-appropriate substance misuse prevention instructional
- 1.13 materials. Substance misuse awareness and prevention instruction must include the role of
- 1.14 social media in substance misuse and in the distribution of illegal drugs. The instruction
- 1.15 may be provided as part of a public school's locally developed health standards and
- 1.16 curriculum.
- 1.17 (b) A public school is strongly encouraged to provide evidence-based substance misuse
- 1.18 awareness and prevention instruction to students in grades 9 through 12.
- 1.19 (c) A public school is encouraged to use a peer-to-peer education program to provide
- 1.20 substance misuse awareness and prevention instruction.