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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2815

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; modifying certain postsecondary education planning
1.3 information provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section
1.4 136A.87.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 136A.87, is amended to read:

1.7 **136A.87 PLANNING INFORMATION FOR POSTSECONDARY**
1.8 **EDUCATION.**

1.9 (a) The office shall make available to all residents beginning in 7th grade through
1.10 adulthood information about planning and preparing for postsecondary opportunities.
1.11 Information must be provided to all 7th grade students and their parents annually
1.12 by September 30 about planning for their postsecondary education. The office may
1.13 also provide information to high school students and their parents, to adults, and to
1.14 out-of-school youth.

1.15 (b) The office shall gather and share information from students and parents about the
1.16 dual credit acceptance policies of each Minnesota, Wisconsin, and North Dakota public
1.17 and private college and university. This information must be shared on the office's Web
1.18 site and included in the information under paragraph (a).

1.19 (c) The information provided under paragraph (a) may include the following:

1.20 (1) the need to start planning early;

1.21 (2) the availability of assistance in educational planning from educational institutions
1.22 and other organizations;

1.23 (3) suggestions for studying effectively during high school;

- 2.1 (4) high school courses necessary to be adequately prepared for postsecondary
2.2 education;
- 2.3 (5) encouragement to involve parents actively in planning for all phases of education;
- 2.4 (6) information about postsecondary education and training opportunities existing
2.5 in the state, their respective missions and expectations for students, their preparation
2.6 requirements, admission requirements, and student placement;
- 2.7 (7) ways to evaluate and select postsecondary institutions;
- 2.8 (8) the process of transferring credits among Minnesota postsecondary institutions
2.9 and systems;
- 2.10 (9) the costs of postsecondary education and the availability of financial assistance
2.11 in meeting these costs, including specific information about the Minnesota Promise;
- 2.12 (10) the interrelationship of assistance from student financial aid, public assistance,
2.13 and job training programs; and
- 2.14 (11) financial planning for postsecondary education.

2.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2016-2017 school year and
2.16 later.