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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/23/2016	5224	Introduction and first reading Referred to Higher Education and Workforce Development

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A bill for an act

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relating to higher education; encouraging open textbook usage; appropriating

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money.

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

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Section 1. **MNSCU OPEN TEXTBOOKS; APPROPRIATION.**

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(a) \$..... is appropriated from the general fund in fiscal year 2017 to the Board of

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Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities for pilot programs on system

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campuses that promote adoption of open textbooks. Programs must focus on the review,

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creation, and promotion of new or existing open textbooks and on saving money for

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students while meeting the academic needs of faculty.

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(b) By March 15, 2017, the board shall report to the chairs and ranking minority

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members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over higher education regarding

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the progress of the pilot programs. The report shall include a summary of each pilot

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program and the total savings expected for students as a result of the programs.

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Sec. 2. **MNSCU OPEN TEXTBOOK LIBRARY; APPROPRIATION.**

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\$..... is appropriated from the general fund in fiscal year 2017 to the Board of

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Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to expand and promote the open

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textbook library to faculty across the state.