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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy
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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; requiring teacher preparation programs to include online
1.3 coursework; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 122A.092, by adding a
1.4 subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 122A.092, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 9. Agreements with out-of-state program providers. The Professional Educator
1.9 Licensing and Standards Board must work with Minnesota teacher preparation programs
1.10 to provide teacher preparation programs for every teacher licensure area required by the
1.11 board. Approved programs must be hybrid programs and at least 80 percent of the required
1.12 coursework must be available online. If an in-state approved teacher preparation program
1.13 is not established for a teacher licensure area, the board must enter into an agreement with
1.14 an out-of-state program provider with 100 percent of the required coursework available
1.15 online.