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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1428

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

03/25/2015 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Education Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to education; qualifying certain homeless children for early educational  
1.3 services; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section  
1.4 125A.02, subdivision 1a, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 125A.02, subdivision 1a, is amended to  
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 1a. **Children ages under age three through seven experiencing**  
1.9 **developmental delays.** In addition, "child with a disability" includes every child under  
1.10 age three, ~~and at local district discretion from age three to age seven~~, who needs special  
1.11 instruction and services, as determined by the rules of the commissioner, because the child:

1.12 (1) has a substantial delay or;

1.13 (2) has an identifiable certain diagnosed physical or mental condition known to  
1.14 hinder normal development is a child with a disability conditions with a high probability  
1.15 of resulting in a delay, regardless of whether the child is currently demonstrating a need or  
1.16 delay; or

1.17 (3) may develop an identifiable condition because the child is homeless.

1.18 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 125A.02, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.19 to read:

1.20 Subd. 1b. **Children ages three through seven experiencing developmental**  
1.21 **delays.** In addition, "child with a disability" includes, at local discretion, every child from  
1.22 age three to age seven who needs special instruction and services, as determined by the  
1.23 rules of the commissioner, because the child:

2.1 (1) has a substantial delay; or  
2.2 (2) has certain diagnosed physical or mental conditions with a high probability of  
2.3 resulting in a delay, regardless of whether the child is currently demonstrating a need  
2.4 or delay.

2.5 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATION; HOMELESSNESS.**

2.6 Subdivision 1. **Department of Education.** The sums indicated in this section are  
2.7 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education for the fiscal years  
2.8 designated.

2.9 Subd. 2. **Homelessness.** For the department to provide training on homelessness  
2.10 and its associated experiences:

2.11 \$            50,000        .....    2016

2.12 \$            50,000        .....    2017

2.13 The department must provide training to Part C early intervention staff members at  
2.14 the state and school district levels and interagency early intervention committees. Any  
2.15 balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.