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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs

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By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to veterans; providing a day off with pay to certain veterans on Veteran's
1.3 Day; requiring certain instruction; encouraging employers to honor Veteran's
1.4 Day; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[197.505] VETERAN'S DAY RECOGNITION.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Public schools.** Every independent, special, and common school
1.8 district and every charter school shall honor the federal Veteran's Day holiday by:

1.9 (1) granting to each staff member who is a veteran a day off with pay on that
1.10 holiday; and

1.11 (2) if the school district or school is open and providing instruction on Veteran's
1.12 Day, instructing the students about Veteran's Day and the significance to our nation of the
1.13 service provided by veterans. The instruction must be given in each school for at least 30
1.14 minutes or one school period, whichever is longer.

1.15 Subd. 2. **Private employers.** Private employers in Minnesota are encouraged to
1.16 honor the federal Veteran's Day holiday by granting to each employee who is a veteran a
1.17 day off with pay on that holiday.