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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on E-12 Education

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; authorizing a high five kindergarten program;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 126C.05, subdivision 1; proposing
1.4 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D; repealing Minnesota
1.5 Statutes 2006, section 126C.10, subdivision 31.

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

1.7 Section 1. **[124D.165] HIGH FIVE KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM.**

1.8 Subdivision 1. **Programs authorized.** A school district may offer a high five
1.9 kindergarten program upon approval of the commissioner of education. A school district
1.10 must submit its high five application to the commissioner in the form and manner required
1.11 by the commissioner.

1.12 Subd. 2. **Program characteristics.** A high five kindergarten program must prepare
1.13 children for kindergarten and be based on the Minnesota Early Childhood Indicators
1.14 of Progress. The program must focus on:

1.15 (1) language and literacy skills developed through reading, music, dramatization,
1.16 movement, science, math, and social studies;

1.17 (2) large and small muscle coordination; and

1.18 (3) personal and social skill development.

1.19 Each child participating in a high five program must have an individualized learning
1.20 plan created by the family and teacher designed to meet each child's stage of development
1.21 and learning style.

1.22 Subd. 3. **Pupil eligibility.** A child may participate in a high five kindergarten
1.23 program if the child:

1.24 (1) is at least four years old on September 1; and

1.25 (2) has completed the developmental screening under sections 121A.16 to 121A.19.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2007.

2.2 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 126C.05, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.3 Subdivision 1. **Pupil unit.** Pupil units for each Minnesota resident pupil under the
 2.4 age of 21 or who meets the requirements of section 120A.20, subdivision 1, paragraph
 2.5 (c), in average daily membership enrolled in the district of residence, in another district
 2.6 under sections 123A.05 to 123A.08, 124D.03, 124D.06, 124D.07, 124D.08, or 124D.68;
 2.7 in a charter school under section 124D.10; or for whom the resident district pays tuition
 2.8 under section 123A.18, 123A.22, 123A.30, 123A.32, 123A.44, 123A.488, 123B.88,
 2.9 subdivision 4, 124D.04, 124D.05, 125A.03 to 125A.24, 125A.51, or 125A.65, shall be
 2.10 counted according to this subdivision.

2.11 (a) A prekindergarten pupil with a disability who is enrolled in a program approved
 2.12 by the commissioner and has an individual education plan is counted as the ratio of the
 2.13 number of hours of assessment and education service to 825 times 1.25 with a minimum
 2.14 average daily membership of 0.28, but not more than 1.25 pupil units.

2.15 (b) A prekindergarten pupil who is assessed but determined not to be disabled is
 2.16 counted as the ratio of the number of hours of assessment service to 825 times 1.25.

2.17 (c) A kindergarten pupil with a disability who is enrolled in a program approved
 2.18 by the commissioner is counted as the ratio of the number of hours of assessment and
 2.19 education services required in the fiscal year by the pupil's individual education program
 2.20 plan to 875, but not more than one.

2.21 (d) A kindergarten pupil, and any pupil participating in a high five program under
 2.22 section 124D.165, who is not included in paragraph (c) is counted as .557 of a pupil unit
 2.23 for fiscal year 2000 and thereafter.

2.24 (e) A pupil who is in any of grades 1 to 3 is counted as 1.115 pupil units for fiscal
 2.25 year 2000 and thereafter.

2.26 (f) A pupil who is any of grades 4 to 6 is counted as 1.06 pupil units for fiscal
 2.27 year 1995 and thereafter.

2.28 (g) A pupil who is in any of grades 7 to 12 is counted as 1.3 pupil units.

2.29 (h) A pupil who is in the postsecondary enrollment options program is counted
 2.30 as 1.3 pupil units.

2.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for revenue for fiscal year 2008.

2.32 Sec. 3. **REPEALER.**

2.33 Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 126C.10, subdivision 31, is repealed.

3.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for revenue for fiscal year 2008.