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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Civil Justice

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; requiring Department of Public Safety to support
1.3 development of statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and schematic system
1.4 for public schools; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter
1.5 12.

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

1.7 Section 1. [12.121] STATEWIDE PLANNING, MAPPING, DRAWINGS, AND
1.8 SCHEMATIC SYSTEM.

1.9 Subdivision 1. Requirement. The Department of Public Safety shall support
1.10 development of a statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and schematic system for public
1.11 schools in this state for use by response agencies who are called to respond to an act of
1.12 terrorism, a pandemic disease outbreak, or related emergency.

1.13 Subd. 2. Guidelines. The statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and schematic
1.14 system must include, without limitation:

1.15 (1) the type of information that must be included within the software program that
1.16 comprises the system, including without limitation up-to-date scalable floor plans, fire
1.17 protection information, security and emergency medical equipment, building evacuation
1.18 plans, utility information, known building hazards, and information on how to contact
1.19 emergency personnel in real time through visual electronic media;

1.20 (2) compliance by participating districts with state agency guidelines;

1.21 (3) the manner by which the information prescribed in clause (1) must be transferred
1.22 to the statewide system from the school districts and political subdivisions that participate
1.23 in the system;

1.24 (4) standards for the software that must be used by the participating school districts
1.25 and political subdivisions that participate in the statewide system;

- 2.1 (5) conditions for use of the statewide system by response agencies;
- 2.2 (6) guidelines for:
- 2.3 (i) the accessibility and confidentiality of information contained within the statewide
- 2.4 system; and
- 2.5 (ii) the incorporation, in connection with the use of the statewide system, of the
- 2.6 items described in subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (2);
- 2.7 (7) in accordance with information obtained by the department, determination of the
- 2.8 priority for distribution of any money that may be available for the school districts and
- 2.9 political subdivisions to participate in the statewide system; and
- 2.10 (8) guidelines recommended by the department for training persons employed by
- 2.11 response agencies concerning the use of the statewide system.
- 2.12 **Subd. 3. Participation by school districts and political subdivisions.** (a) To the
- 2.13 extent money is made available, school districts and political subdivisions shall:
- 2.14 (1) participate in the statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and schematic system;
- 2.15 and
- 2.16 (2) incorporate into their use of the statewide system, without limitation:
- 2.17 (i) evacuation routes and strategies for evacuation;
- 2.18 (ii) alarms and other signals or means of notification;
- 2.19 (iii) plans for sheltering in place;
- 2.20 (iv) zoning of buildings for triage in the event of a pandemic outbreak of influenza
- 2.21 or other disease, and infection; and
- 2.22 (v) training and strategies for prevention in connection with attacks involving
- 2.23 violence.
- 2.24 (b) If a school district or a political subdivision uses its own planning, mapping,
- 2.25 drawings, and schematic system before the department establishes guidelines for a
- 2.26 statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and schematic system, the school district or
- 2.27 political subdivision may continue to use its system unless money is made available for
- 2.28 the school district or political subdivision to update or modify its system as necessary for
- 2.29 compliance with the statewide system guidelines.
- 2.30 **Subd. 4. Funding.** (a) The department shall pursue any money that may be available
- 2.31 from the federal government for developing guidelines for a statewide planning, mapping,
- 2.32 drawings, and schematic system for operating the statewide system by public schools and
- 2.33 supporting districts, by distributing grants to school districts, political subdivisions, and
- 2.34 first responders that participate in the statewide system.

3.1 (b) The department may accept gifts, grants, and contributions for developing
3.2 and supporting a statewide system and distribute funds to school districts and political
3.3 subdivisions that participate in the statewide system.

3.4 (c) On or before July 1, 2008, and on or before July 1 of each year thereafter,
3.5 each school district and political subdivision that participates in the statewide system
3.6 shall submit to the department a progress report setting forth, in accordance with rules
3.7 adopted by the department, the experience of the school district or political subdivision, as
3.8 applicable, with respect to its participation in the statewide system. The department shall
3.9 receive and process these progress reports and provide to the legislature a summarized
3.10 overview of the statewide system on or before October 1, 2008, and on or before October
3.11 1 of each year thereafter.

3.12 Subd. 5. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section:

3.13 (a) "Act of terrorism" means a terroristic threat directed at a school in violation of
3.14 section 609.713 or a crime committed in furtherance of terrorism in violation of section
3.15 609.714.

3.16 (b) "Political subdivision" means a county, statutory or home rule charter city,
3.17 town, or school district.

3.18 (c) "Real time" means the actual time during which something takes place.

3.19 (d) "Response agency" means a fire department or company, law enforcement
3.20 official or office, an ambulance or other emergency rescue service, the 911 emergency and
3.21 public safety communications systems established under chapter 403, or the Division of
3.22 Emergency Management created in section 12.04, subdivision 1.

3.23 (e) "Sheltering in place" means to remain inside a building, room, structure, or
3.24 other location during an emergency when egress may be impossible or when egress
3.25 may present a more substantial risk than remaining inside the building, room, structure,
3.26 or other location, as applicable.

3.27 (f) "Statewide system" refers to the statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and
3.28 schematic system.

3.29 Subd. 6. **Reports to legislature.** The commissioner of public safety shall submit
3.30 a report to the legislature by February 2, 2008, on the means, progress, and costs of
3.31 implementing and maintaining a statewide planning, mapping, drawings, and schematic
3.32 system for public schools.