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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Higher Education and Work Force Development Policy and Finance Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; requiring certain students enrolled in institutions
1.3 of higher education to sign a written waiver if they choose not to be vaccinated
1.4 against meningococcal disease; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section
1.5 135A.14, subdivision 2.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 135A.14, subdivision 2, is amended to
1.8 read:

1.9 Subd. 2. **Statement of immunization required.** Except as provided in subdivision
1.10 3, no student may remain enrolled in a public or private postsecondary educational
1.11 institution unless the student has submitted to the administrator a statement that the student
1.12 has received appropriate immunization against measles, rubella, and mumps after having
1.13 attained the age of 12 months, and against diphtheria and tetanus within ten years of first
1.14 registration at the institution. The statement must also document that the student has been
1.15 vaccinated against meningitis, unless the student chooses not to be immunized, in which
1.16 case the student must submit a statement, signed by the student, or the student's parent
1.17 or guardian if the student is a minor, stating they have received the information cited
1.18 in subdivision 6a, and have chosen not to be vaccinated. This statement must indicate
1.19 the month and year of each immunization given. Instead of submitting a statement,
1.20 a student may provide an immunization record maintained by a school according to
1.21 section 121A.15, subdivision 7, or a school in another state if the required information
1.22 is contained in the record. A student who has submitted a statement as provided in this
1.23 subdivision may transfer to a different Minnesota institution without submitting another
1.24 statement if the student's transcript or other official documentation indicates that the
1.25 statement was submitted.