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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; repealing the Labor Day school start provisions; repealing
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 120A.40.

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

1.5 Section 1. **REPEALER.**

1.6 Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 120A.40, is repealed.

1.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2009-2010 school year and

1.8 later.

120A.40 SCHOOL CALENDAR.

(a) Except for learning programs during summer, flexible learning year programs authorized under sections 124D.12 to 124D.127, and learning year programs under section 124D.128, a district must not commence an elementary or secondary school year before Labor Day, except as provided under paragraph (b). Days devoted to teachers' workshops may be held before Labor Day. Districts that enter into cooperative agreements are encouraged to adopt similar school calendars.

(b) A district may begin the school year on any day before Labor Day to accommodate a construction or remodeling project of \$400,000 or more affecting a district school facility. A school district that agrees to the same schedule with a school district in an adjoining state also may begin the school year before Labor Day as authorized under this paragraph.