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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-SEVENTH SESSION

H. F. No. 2506

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance
03/12/2012 Adoption of Report: Pass and Read Second Time
03/29/2012 Calendar for the Day
Read Third Time
Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; striking the requirement to allocate portions of reserved
1.3 staff development revenue for particular purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2010, section 122A.61, subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 122A.61, subdivision 1, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subdivision 1. Staff development revenue. A district is required to reserve
1.9 an amount equal to at least two percent of the basic revenue under section 126C.10,
1.10 subdivision 2, for in-service education for programs under section 120B.22, subdivision
1.11 2, for staff development plans, including plans for challenging instructional activities
1.12 and experiences under section 122A.60, and for curriculum development and programs,
1.13 other in-service education, teachers' workshops, teacher conferences, the cost of
1.14 substitute teachers staff development purposes, preservice and in-service education for
1.15 special education professionals and paraprofessionals, and other related costs for staff
1.16 development efforts. A district may annually waive the requirement to reserve their basic
1.17 revenue under this section if a majority vote of the licensed teachers in the district and
1.18 a majority vote of the school board agree to a resolution to waive the requirement. A
1.19 district in statutory operating debt is exempt from reserving basic revenue according to
1.20 this section. Districts may expend an additional amount of unreserved revenue for staff
1.21 development based on their needs. ~~With the exception of amounts reserved for staff
1.22 development from revenues allocated directly to school sites, the board must initially
1.23 allocate 50 percent of the reserved revenue to each school site in the district on a per
1.24 teacher basis, which must be retained by the school site until used. The board may~~

2.1 ~~retain 25 percent to be used for district wide staff development efforts. The remaining~~  
2.2 ~~25 percent of the revenue must be used to make grants to school sites for best practices~~  
2.3 ~~methods. A grant may be used for any purpose authorized under section 120B.22,~~  
2.4 ~~subdivision 2, 122A.60, or for the costs of curriculum development and programs, other~~  
2.5 ~~in-service education, teachers' workshops, teacher conferences, substitute teachers for~~  
2.6 ~~staff development purposes, and other staff development efforts, and determined by~~  
2.7 ~~the site professional development team. The site professional development team must~~  
2.8 ~~demonstrate to the school board the extent to which staff at the site have met the outcomes~~  
2.9 ~~of the program. The board may withhold a portion of initial allocation of revenue if the~~  
2.10 ~~staff development outcomes are not being met.~~

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.