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relating to education; providing for substance misuse awareness and prevention 1 2 education; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B. 1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.4 Section 1. [120B.239] SUBSTANCE MISUSE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. 1.5 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the words defined in 1.6 this subdivision have the meanings given. 1.7 (b) "Public school" means a school district or charter school. 18 (c) "Substance misuse" has the meaning given in section 254A.02, subdivision 6a. 1.9 Subd. 2. School instruction requirements. (a) A public school must provide substance 1.10 misuse awareness and prevention instruction at least once to students in grades 6 through 1.11 8. A public school must use age-appropriate substance misuse prevention instructional 1.12 materials. Substance misuse awareness and prevention instruction must include the role of 1.13 social media in substance misuse and in the distribution of illegal drugs. The instruction 1.14 may be provided as part of a public school's locally developed health standards and 1.15 curriculum. 1.16 (b) A public school is strongly encouraged to provide evidence-based substance misuse 1.17 awareness and prevention instruction to students in grades 9 through 12. 1.18 (c) A public school is encouraged to use a peer-to-peer education program to provide 1.19

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substance misuse awareness and prevention instruction.