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1.1	Senator moves to amend S.F. No. 619 as follows:
1.2	Page 8, delete section 8 and insert:
1.3	"Section 8. [121A.041] AMERICAN INDIAN MASCOTS PROHIBITED.
1.4	Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
1.5	the meanings given.
1.6	(b) "American Indian" means an individual who is:
1.7	(1) a member of an Indian Tribe or band, as membership is defined by the Tribe or band,
1.8	including:
1.9	(i) any Tribe or band terminated since 1940; and
1.10	(ii) any Tribe or band recognized by the state in which the Tribe or band resides;
1.11	(2) a descendant, in the first or second degree, of an individual described in clause (1);
1.12	(3) considered by the Secretary of the Interior to be an Indian for any purpose;
1.13	(4) an Eskimo, Aleut, or other Alaska Native; or
1.14	(5) a member of an organized Indian group that received a grant under the Indian
1.15	Education Act of 1988 as in effect the day preceding October 20, 1994.
1.16	(c) "District" means a district under section 120A.05, subdivision 8.
1.17	(d) "Mascot" means any human, nonhuman animal, or object used to represent a school
1.18	and its population.
1.19	(e) "Public school" or "school" means a public school under section 120A.05, subdivisions
1.20	9, 11, 13, and 17, and a charter school under chapter 124E.
1.21	Subd. 2. Prohibition. (a) A public school may not have or adopt a name, symbol, or
1.22	image that depicts or refers to an American Indian Tribe, individual, custom, or tradition
1.23	to be used as a mascot, nickname, logo, letterhead, or team name of the district or school
1.24	within the district.
1.25	(b) A public school may seek an exemption to paragraph (a) by submitting a request in
1.26	writing to all eleven federally recognized tribal nations in Minnesota and the Tribal Nations
1.27	Education Committee. If any of the eleven Tribal nations or the Tribal Nations Education
1.28	Committee opposes the exemption, the exemption is denied. A public school whose
1.29	exemption is denied must comply with paragraph (a) by September 1 of the following
1.30	calendar year in which the exemption request was made.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective June 30, 2024." 2.1