

**April 15, 2024**

Members of the Senate Education Finance Committee  
*Via Electronic Delivery*

**Re: Inclusion of health standards language in omnibus package**

Dear Members of the Committee:

The Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault would like to offer our gratitude for your inclusion of health standards language in the omnibus bill. MNCASA is a statewide membership coalition driving transformative culture change to address sexual violence through advocacy, prevention, racial justice, and systems change. MNCASA acts as a collective voice of organizations and individuals committed to ending sexual violence.

This health standards language takes actionable steps toward ensuring that all Minnesotans are equipped with the knowledge and skills to attain their highest level of health. Furthermore, these standards aim to center the wellbeing of young people and provide the necessary tools to make informed decisions and positive impacts on themselves and their peers throughout their lifespan.

As a coalition with a focus on the public health of our community members, establishing statewide health standards will empower Minnesotans to live safer and healthier lives and have long-term benefits across the state. MNCASA respectfully thanks you for your dedication on these efforts.

In Community,

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