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SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA **NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

A bill for an act

relating to education; extending the short-call substitute teacher pilot program;

S.F. No. 482

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Introduction and first reading Referred to Education Policy

02/03/2025 Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Education Finance

amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 122A.441. 1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.4 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 122A.441, is amended to read: 1.5 122A.441 SHORT-CALL SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PILOT PROGRAM. 1.6 (a) A school district or charter school and applicant may jointly request the Professional 1.7 Educator Licensing and Standards Board approve an application for a short-call substitute 1.8 teaching license. The application information must sufficiently demonstrate the following: 1.9 (1) the applicant: 1.10 (i) holds a minimum of an associate's degree or equivalent and has or will receive 1.11 substitute training from the school district or charter school; or 1.12 (ii) holds a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent and has been employed as 1.13 an education support personnel or paraprofessional within the district or charter school for 1.14 at least one academic year; and 1.15 (2) the school district or charter school has obtained the results of a background check 1.16 completed in accordance with section 123B.03. 1.17 1.18 (b) The Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board may issue a temporary teaching license under this section pending a background check under section 122A.18, 1.19 subdivision 8, and may immediately suspend or revoke the license upon receiving background 1.20

check information. An applicant submitting an application for a short-call substitute teaching

Section 1. 1 license in accordance with section 122A.18, subdivision 7a, paragraph (a), must not be required to complete a joint application with a district and must not be issued a license pending a background check under section 122A.18, subdivision 8.

- (c) The board may prioritize short-call substitute teaching license applications to expedite the review process.
- (d) A school district or charter school must provide a substitute teacher who receives a substitute teaching license through the pilot program with substitute teacher training. The board may remove a school district or charter school from the pilot program for failure to provide the required training.
- (e) A school district or charter school must not require an employee to apply for a substitute teaching license, or retaliate against an employee that does not apply for a substitute teaching license under the pilot program.
- (f) A school district or charter school must compensate an employee working as a short-call substitute teacher under the pilot program with the greater of \$200 per day or the employee's regular rate of pay.
- 2.16 (g) This section expires on June 30, 2025 2027.

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2.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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