



## **S.F. No. 1404 – Modifying American Indian mascot provisions (1<sup>st</sup> Engrossment)**

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**Section 1. Prohibition on American Indian mascots.** Requires that a school district required to report to the legislature regarding a prohibited American Indian mascot also report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the education finance committees. Effective for reports submitted after June 30, 2025.

**Sec. 2. Exemption.** Modifies the process for a public school to seek an exemption to the prohibition on American Indian mascots. Removes the requirement that a school obtain consent from all 11 federally recognized Tribal Nations in Minnesota and the Tribal Nations Education Committee. Requires instead that a public school seek consent from the Tribal Nation located nearest to the school. Effective immediately.

**Sec. 3. Appropriation; mascot replacement assistance.** Appropriates money in fiscal year 2026 only for reimbursement to public schools for certain costs of replacing a prohibited mascot. Imposes certain administrative duties on the commissioner of education.