

1.1 Senator moves to amend S.F. No. 2255 as follows:

1.2 Page 62, after line 4, insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 127A.41, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

1.4 Subd. 8. **Appropriation transfers.** (a) If a direct appropriation from the general fund
1.5 to the department for any education aid or grant authorized in this chapter and chapters
1.6 122A, 123A, 123B, 124D, 124E, 125A, 126C, and 134, excluding appropriations under
1.7 sections ~~124D.135, 124D.16,~~ 124D.20, 124D.22, 124D.52, 124D.531, 124D.55, and 124D.56,
1.8 exceeds the amount required, the commissioner may transfer the excess to any education
1.9 aid or grant appropriation that is insufficient. However, section 126C.20 applies to a
1.10 deficiency in the direct appropriation for general education aid. Excess appropriations must
1.11 be allocated proportionately among aids or grants that have insufficient appropriations. The
1.12 commissioner of management and budget shall make the necessary transfers among
1.13 appropriations according to the determinations of the commissioner. If the amount of the
1.14 direct appropriation for the aid or grant plus the amount transferred according to this
1.15 subdivision is insufficient, the commissioner shall prorate the available amount among
1.16 eligible districts. The state is not obligated for any additional amounts.

1.17 (b) Transfers for aids paid under section 127A.45, subdivisions 12 and 13, shall be made
1.18 during the fiscal year after the fiscal year of the entitlement. Transfers for aids paid under
1.19 section 127A.45, subdivisions 11 and 12a, shall be made during the fiscal year of the
1.20 appropriation.

1.21 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 127A.41, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

1.22 Subd. 9. **Appropriation transfers for community education programs.** If a direct
1.23 appropriation from the general fund to the Department of Education for an education aid
1.24 or grant authorized under section ~~124D.135, 124D.16,~~ 124D.20, 124D.22, 124D.52,
1.25 124D.531, 124D.55, or 124D.56 exceeds the amount required, the commissioner of education
1.26 may transfer the excess to any education aid or grant appropriation that is insufficiently
1.27 funded under these sections. Excess appropriations shall be allocated proportionately among
1.28 aids or grants that have insufficient appropriations. The commissioner of management and
1.29 budget shall make the necessary transfers among appropriations according to the
1.30 determinations of the commissioner of education. If the amount of the direct appropriation
1.31 for the aid or grant plus the amount transferred according to this subdivision is insufficient,
1.32 the commissioner shall prorate the available amount among eligible districts. The state is
1.33 not obligated for any additional amounts.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 127A.45, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **Aid payment percentage.** Except as provided in subdivisions 11, 12, 12a, 14, and 14a, each fiscal year, all education aids and credits in this chapter ~~and~~ chapters 120A, 120B, 121A, 122A, 123A, 123B, 124D, 124E, 125A, 125B, 126C, and 134; and ~~section~~ sections 142D.06, 142D.093, 142D.11, and 273.1392; shall be paid at the current year aid payment percentage of the estimated entitlement during the fiscal year of the entitlement. For the purposes of this subdivision, a district's estimated entitlement for special education aid under section 125A.76 for fiscal year 2014 and later equals 97.4 percent of the district's entitlement for the current fiscal year. The final adjustment payment, according to subdivision 9, must be the amount of the actual entitlement, after adjustment for actual data, minus the payments made during the fiscal year of the entitlement.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.06, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Funding.** The commissioner and the commissioner of education shall enter into an agreement under which the commissioner of education shall distribute funds appropriated for programs under this section. Funding is subject to sections 127A.41 and 127A.45, subdivision 13.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.08, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Funding.** The commissioner and the commissioner of education shall enter into an agreement under which the commissioner of education shall distribute funds appropriated for programs under this section. Funding is subject to sections 127A.41 and 127A.45, subdivision 13.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.093, is amended to read:

142D.093 DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING AID.

(a) Each school year, the state must pay a district for each child or student screened by the district according to the requirements of section 142D.091. The amount of state aid for each child or student screened shall be: (1) \$98 for a child screened at age three; (2) \$65 for a child screened at age four; (3) \$52 for a child screened at age five or six prior to kindergarten; and (4) \$39 for a student screened within 30 days after first enrolling in a public school kindergarten if the student has not previously been screened according to the requirements of section 142D.091. If this amount of aid is insufficient, the district may permanently transfer from the general fund an amount that, when added to the aid, is sufficient. Developmental screening aid shall not be paid for any student who is screened

more than 30 days after the first day of attendance at a public school kindergarten, except if a student transfers to another public school kindergarten within 30 days after first enrolling in a Minnesota public school kindergarten program. In this case, if the student has not been screened, the district to which the student transfers may receive developmental screening aid for screening that student when the screening is performed within 30 days of the transfer date.

(b) The commissioner and the commissioner of education shall enter into an agreement under which the commissioner of education shall distribute funds appropriated for programs under this section. Funding is subject to section 127A.45, subdivision 13.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.11, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Revenue.** The revenue for early childhood family education programs for a school district equals the formula allowance under section 126C.10, subdivision 2, for the year times 0.023 times the greater of:

(1) 150; or

(2) the number of people under five years of age residing in the district on October 1 of the previous school year.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.11, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Population.** For the purposes of subdivision 1, data reported to the Department of Education may be used to determine the number of people under five years of age residing in the district. The commissioner, with the assistance of the state demographer, shall review the number reported by any district operating an early childhood family education program. If requested, the district shall submit to the commissioner an explanation of its methods and other information necessary to document accuracy. If the commissioner determines that the district has not provided sufficient documentation of accuracy, the commissioner may request the state demographer to prepare an estimate of the number of people under five years of age residing in the district and may use this estimate for the purposes of subdivision 1.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.11, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Funding.** The commissioner and the commissioner of education shall enter into an agreement under which the commissioner of education shall distribute funds appropriated for programs under this section. Funding is subject to section 127A.45, subdivision 13.

4.1	Sec. 10. <u>CENTRAL OFFICE; EARLY</u>			
4.2	<u>CHILDHOOD</u>	\$	<u>18,355,000</u>	\$ <u>14,480,000</u>
4.3	Subdivision 1. <u>Child Care Attendance and</u>			
4.4	<u>Record-Keeping System</u>			
4.5	<u>\$5,555,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,639,000</u>			
4.6	<u>in fiscal year 2027 are to develop a statewide</u>			
4.7	<u>electronic attendance and record-keeping</u>			
4.8	<u>system for the child care assistance program.</u>			
4.9	<u>The base for this appropriation is \$1,639,000</u>			
4.10	<u>in fiscal year 2028 and \$1,638,000 in fiscal</u>			
4.11	<u>year 2029.</u>			
4.12	Subd. 2. <u>Base Level Adjustment</u>			
4.13	<u>The general fund base is \$14,480,000 in fiscal</u>			
4.14	<u>year 2028 and \$14,479,000 in fiscal year 2029.</u>			
4.15	Sec. 11. <u>FORECASTED PROGRAMS; EARLY</u>			
4.16	<u>CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION</u>	\$	<u>40,005,000</u>	\$ <u>41,636,000</u>
4.17	Subdivision 1. <u>Early Family Education Aid</u>			
4.18	<u>(a) \$39,779,000 in 2026 and \$41,444,000 in</u>			
4.19	<u>2027 are for transfer to the Department of</u>			
4.20	<u>Education for early childhood family</u>			
4.21	<u>education aid under Minnesota Statutes,</u>			
4.22	<u>section 142D.11.</u>			
4.23	<u>(b) The 2026 amount in paragraph (a) includes</u>			
4.24	<u>\$3,793,000 for 2025 and \$35,986,000 for</u>			
4.25	<u>2026.</u>			
4.26	<u>(c) The 2027 amount in paragraph (a) includes</u>			
4.27	<u>\$3,998,000 for 2026 and \$37,446,000 for</u>			
4.28	<u>2027.</u>			
4.29	Subd. 2. <u>Home Visiting Aid</u>			
4.30	<u>(a) \$226,000 in 2026 and \$192,000 in 2027</u>			
4.31	<u>are for transfer to the Department of Education</u>			
4.32	<u>for home visiting aid under Minnesota</u>			
4.33	<u>Statutes, section 142D.11.</u>			

5.1 (b) The 2026 amount in paragraph (a) includes
5.2 \$28,000 for 2025 and \$198,000 for 2026.

5.3 (c) The 2027 amount in paragraph (a) includes
5.4 \$21,000 for 2026 and \$171,000 for 2027.

5.5 **Sec. 12. FORECASTED PROGRAMS;**
5.6 **HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL**
5.7 **SCREENING** **\$** **4,099,000** **\$** **4,051,000**

5.8 (a) \$4,099,000 in 2026 and \$4,051,000 in 2027
5.9 are for transfer to the Department of Education
5.10 for developmental screening aid under
5.11 Minnesota Statutes, section 142D.093.

5.12 (b) The 2026 amount in paragraph (a) includes
5.13 \$411,000 for 2025 and \$3,688,000 for 2026.

5.14 (c) The 2027 amount in paragraph (a) includes
5.15 \$409,000 for 2026 and \$3,642,000 for 2027.

5.16 **Sec. 13. GRANT PROGRAMS; EARLY**
5.17 **LEARNING GRANTS** **\$** **174,471,000** **\$** **174,471,000**

5.18 (a) \$33,683,000 in 2026 and \$33,683,000 in
5.19 2027 are for transfer to the Department of
5.20 Education for school readiness aid under
5.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 142D.06.

5.22 (b) The 2026 amount in paragraph (a) includes
5.23 \$3,368,000 for 2025 and \$30,315,000 for
5.24 2026.

5.25 (c) The 2027 amount in paragraph (a) includes
5.26 \$3,368,000 for 2026 and \$30,315,000 for
5.27 2027.

5.28 **Sec. 14. TRANSFERS.**

5.29 Subdivision 1. **Programs and grants.** The commissioner of children, youth, and families,
5.30 with the approval of the commissioner of management and budget, may transfer
5.31 unencumbered appropriation balances for the biennium ending June 30, 2027, within fiscal
5.32 years among MFIP; MFIP child care assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 142E.08;
5.33 the entitlement portion of Northstar Care for Children under Minnesota Statutes, sections

142A.60 to 142A.612; and early childhood family education under Minnesota Statutes, section 142D.11, between fiscal years of the biennium. The commissioner shall inform the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over children and families finance and policy quarterly about transfers made under this subdivision.

Subd. 2. **Administration.** Positions, salary money, and nonsalary administrative money may be transferred within the Department of Children, Youth, and Families as the commissioners deem necessary, with the advance approval of the commissioner of management and budget. The commissioners shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over children and families finance quarterly about transfers made under this subdivision.

Subd. 3. **Interdepartmental transfers.** Administrative money may be transferred between the Department of Children, Youth, and Families and Department of Human Services or the Department of Education as the commissioners deem necessary, with the advance approval of the commissioner of management and budget. The commissioners shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over children and families finance and policy quarterly about transfers made under this subdivision."

Page 62, after line 22, insert:

"Sec. 16. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

The revisor of statutes shall renumber Minnesota Statutes, section 142D.12, subdivision 3, as Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.121. The revisor shall also make necessary cross-reference changes consistent with the renumbering."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly