



Laws 2026, Chapter 109 – Various Education Provisions and Forecast Adjustments (S.F. No. 4282)

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ARTICLE 1

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 12 EDUCATION

Section 1. Paraprofessional qualifications. Provides that a paraprofessional that demonstrates the competencies listed earlier in the section must be deemed to have satisfied federal requirements regarding paraprofessional qualifications. Requires the department to provide certain guidance to districts. Requires a district or charter school to maintain certain documentation of the paraprofessional's qualifications. Effective immediately.

Sec. 2. Permanent school fund aid. Establishes a new general fund aid program for the four Tribal contract schools located in Minnesota. The per-pupil aid for each Tribal contract school would be equal to the amount apportioned to school districts and charter schools from the permanent school fund. This section is made effective if the constitutional amendment proposed in H.F. 3900, or a similarly styled bill, is adopted by the voters.

Sec. 3. Uses of total operating capital revenue. Authorizes a school district to use operating capital revenue to pay utility service costs. Effective for revenue in fiscal year 2027 and later.

Sec. 4. Grants for gender-neutral single-user restrooms. Extends the availability of the Laws 2023 fiscal year 2024 and 2025 appropriations for grants for gender-neutral single-user restrooms. Effective immediately.

Sec. 5. Grants for gender-neutral single-user restrooms. Extends the availability of the Laws 2025 fiscal year 2026 and 2027 appropriations for grants for gender-neutral single-user restrooms. Provides that the legislative report is submitted every two years. Effective immediately.

Sec. 6. School district fund transfers. Authorizes certain fund transfers on June 30, 2026, for Maple Lake Public Schools and West St. Paul-Mendota Heights-Eagan. Requires that each transfer be approved by the school board of the district. Effective immediately.

**ARTICLE 2
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FORECAST ADJUSTMENTS**

This article amends E-12 education appropriations enacted during the 2025 legislative session for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 to align with the February 2026 forecast. The February 2026 forecast provides the most current official estimate of the amount of state aid necessary to fully fund statutory school finance formulas under current law. Forecasted education appropriation adjustments are typically the result of changes in pupil counts, program participation, or actual costs. Effective immediately.

**ARTICLE 3
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

This article amends appropriations to the Department of Human Services enacted during the 2025 legislative session for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 to align with the February 2026 forecast. This article contains appropriations within the human services and the health and human services committee jurisdictions. Effective immediately.

**ARTICLE 4
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES**

This article amends appropriations to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families enacted during the 2025 legislative session for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 to align with the February 2026 forecast. Effective immediately.

**ARTICLE 5
TRANSPORTATION; METRO MOBILITY**

This article amends appropriations to the Metropolitan Council enacted during the 2025 legislative session for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 to align with the February 2026 forecast. These appropriations are for the Metro Mobility public transportation service. Effective immediately.



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