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Special Session: LETRS			SS SF 7	Nelson	SF 7 appropriates \$5 million for grants for the Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling program (LETRS).
Special Session: tax credits, private schools			SS SF 13	Chamberlain	SF 13 established a tax credit for donations to a qualified foundation for purposes of awarding scholarships to students, including students attending private schools.
Special Session: Education Policy	SS HF 33	Youakim			Policy changes including general education, education excellence, teacher licensing, health and safety, special education, and early childhood education; and report changes made HF 33 House Research Summary. This bill is identical to HF 163, the Education Policy Bill that had been agreed to at the end of the regular session. The bill was passed to the General Register 10-4.
Special Session: Education Policy	SS HF 36	Kunesh-Podein			The bill addresses several policy items that had been included in policy bills introduced during the regular 2020 session, including the Governor's policy bill. The HF36 A1 Amendment was adopted that includes the addition of culturally responsive methodologies in teacher performance standards.
Special Session: Lunch shaming bill	SS HF 18	Jurgens			School meal policy provisions modified. This is the "lunch shaming" bill introduced during the regular 2020 session.
COVID-19	H 4415	Davnie ; Youakim ; Olson ; Winkler ; Christensen ; Bierman ; Freiberg ; Wolgamott ; Cantrell ; Jordan ; Lippert ; Kotyza-Witthuhn ; Hassan ; Gomez ; Bahner ; Acomb	SF 4369	Nelson ; Abeler ; Housley ; Relph ; Hoffman	Compensation for hourly employees required for school days cancelled due to COVID-19 (coronavirus) during the 2019-2020 school year.



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COVID-19			SC-7474		Education finance and policy providing for school closures and other amendments due to COVID-19; clarifying the calculation of certain school aids formulas due to COVID-19; making forecast adjustments to funding for general education.
Background checks	H.F. 3419	Christensen	SF 3437	Chamberlain ; Clausen ; Hoffman	A bill for an act relating to education; allowing a preliminary license during a pending background check; amending Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 122A.18, subdivision 8. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.
Black Men Teach grants	HF4242	Acomb	SF 4144	Anderson	Black Men Teach Twin Cities grant to increase black male teachers appropriation
Children with Disabilities	HF 4396	Albright	SF 4237	Pratt	Children with disabilities resident district and serving district placement for care and treatment provisions modification
Children's mental health grants	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF 4263	Nelson ; Wiger ; Miller	Children's school-linked mental health grants appropriation
Civics Education	HF 4163	Urdahl ; Erickson ; Sandell ; Bennett ; Hassan ; Christensen ; Gruenhagen ; Bahr ; Baker ; Moller ; Edelson	S.F. No. 2964	Nelson	A bill for an act relating to civics education; creating civics test reporting requirements Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy.
Compensatory Revenue	HF 4230	Erickson	S.F. No. 2989	Nelson	A bill for an act relating to education; modifying the required uses of compensatory revenue; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 126C.10, subdivision 3. Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy and House Education Policy.
Compensatory Revenue	H.F. 3316	Koegel, Stephenson, Davnie, Scott and Urdahl	S.F. No. 3135	Abeler; Wiklund; Anderson, P.; Wiger; and Chamberlain	Eliminating a required set aside of compensatory revenue for extended time programming Moved to House Policy and Senate E-12 Education.
Concurrent Enrollment teacher training	HF 3849	Sandstede ; Nornes ; Edelson ; Kresha ; Huot ; Bennett ; Lien	SF 4257	Nelson ; Clausen ; Tomassoni ; Eichorn ; Anderson, P.	Concurrent enrollment teacher training program increased funding and appropriation
Constitutional Amendment	HF 3658	Moran ; Kresha ; Vang ; Xiong, J. ; Erickson ; Richardson ; Hassan ; Mariani ; Albright ; Bennett ; Considine ; Xiong, T. ; Backer ; Theis ; Demuth ; Fabian ; Neu ; Torkelson ; O'Driscoll ; West ; Koznick ; Daniels ; Gunther ; Petersburg ; Baker ; Schomacker ; Vogel ; Grossell ; Poston ; Dettmer ; Swedzinski ; Boe ; Anderson ; Jurgens	SF 3977	Howe	Constitutional amendment providing for a fundamental right to quality public education for all children
Construction	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF 3911	Housley ; Benson ; Chamberlain	School district construction review and comment process modification
COVID-19 Coronavirus	HF 4415	Davnie ; Youakim ; Olson ; Winkler	No companion as of 3/12/20		Requiring compensation for hourly employees for school days canceled due to COVID-19 during the 2019-2020 school year.



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Early Childhood funding	H.F. 3071	Pinto, Hortman, Winkler, Lislegard and Kotyza-Withuhn	No companion as of 3/12/20		Early childhood; creating additional funding and opportunities for children ages birth to three; governing certain programs and funding for home visiting, early childhood education, and child care assistance. The bill was referred to the Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division.
Early Learning Scholarship	HF 4375	Pinto	SF 3313	Nelson ; Wiger ; Dahms ; Franzen	Early learning scholarship funding provided, and money appropriated.
English Learner	HF 448	Her ; Mariani ; Considine ; Pinto ; Kotyza-Withuhn ; Tabke ; Olson ; Noor ; Xiong, J. ; Lee ; Mahoney	SF 26	Wiger ; Cwodzinski ; Kent ; Clausen ; Little	English learner programs revenue increased, and money appropriated.
Formula Allowance	H.F. 3491	Stephenson, Sandstede, Mann, Morrison, Huot, Wazlawik, Klevorn, Cantrell, Edelson, Christensen, Bierman, Wolgamott, Tabke, Pryor, Moller and Acomb	SF 3725	Wiger, Clausen, Hoffman	Increasing the formula allowance by one percent; providing inflationary increases in general education revenue beginning in fiscal year 2022. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division and Senate E-12 Finance and Policy Committee.
Governor's Bill	H.F. 3186	Youakim, Davnie, Kunesh-Podein, Mariani, Edelson and Moller	SF 3393	Clausen	Making certain policy and technical changes for prekindergarten through grade 12 education provisions including general education, schools, teachers, definitions, and timelines. Moved to House Policy and Senate E-12 Education.
Language	H.F. 3589	Edelson, Erickson, Robbins, Moller, Kunesh-Podein, Lippert and Stephenson	SF3187	Chamberlain ; Clausen	Money for Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling grants. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division and E-12 Education Committee.
Literacy incentive aid	HF 4232	Erickson	S.F. No. 2990	Nelson	Requiring literacy incentive aid to be used for certain purposes Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy.
Nationally recognized high school assessment	H.F. 3107	Edelson, Moran, Howard, Moller, Davnie, Cantrell and Becker-Finn	SF 3699	Wiklund, Clausen, Wiger, Franzen, and Cwodzinski	Allowing an innovation research zone partner to use a nationally recognized high school academic assessment. The bill was referred to the Committee on Education Policy and Senate E-12 Finance and Policy.
Nonpublic School Safety Capital Grants	HF 3583	Pryor ; Mariani ; Kotyza-Withuhn ; Erickson ; Noor ; Kresha ; Fischer ; Lillie	SF 3934	Housley ; Anderson, P. ; Chamberlain ; Eichorn	Nonpublic school safety capital grants program establishment and appropriation
Operating Referendum Equalization	H.F. 3171	Huot, Wazlawik, Bierman and Tabke	SF 3607	Nelson; Clausen; Abeler; Anderson, B.; and Hoffman	Indexing the operating referendum equalizing factor; increasing the state aid for operating referendums. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division. Moved to House Policy and Senate E-12 Education.
Paid Family and Medical Leave Benefit Insurance Program	HF 5	Halverson ; Richardson ; Sauke ; Olson ; Moran ; Persell ; Lillie ; Morrison ; Elkins ; Lippert ; Gomez ; Carlson, A. ; Vang ; Howard ; Schultz ; Noor ; Her ; Cantrell ; Claffin ; Hansen ; Bahner ; Wolgamott ; Mann ; Long ; Wagenius ; Hortman ; Kunesh-Podein ; Carlson, L. ; Hornstein ; Lee ; Hassan ; Pinto ; Pryor ; Winkler	SF 1060	Kent ; Little ; Franzen ; Bakk ; Frentz	Paid family, pregnancy, bonding, and applicant's serious medical condition benefits establishment; employment leaves authorization and regulation.



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Paid Orientation Paraprofessionals	HF 3881	Youakim	SF 4152	Torres Ray ; Wiger ; Isaacson	Paraprofessional paid orientation required,
Permanent School Fund Task Force	H.F. 3641	Kunesh-Podein, O'Driscoll, Edelson, Christensen and Long	SF 3455	Eichorn ; Pratt ; Ruud ; Newton ; Clausen	Creating a task force to examine the permanent school fund endowment; requiring a report; appropriating money. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division.
Probation Reports	HF 3741	Bierman	SF 3330	Clausen; Wiger	This bill eliminates the requirement that school districts report to PELSB and the Board of School Administrators information on probationary teachers and principals whose contracts were not renewed.
Pupil Withdrawl Agreement	HF 4383	Demuth	SF 3976	Howe, Relph	Pupil withdrawal agreement use definition and clarification
Radon Testing	HF 4272	Bennett ; Erickson ; Scott ; Petersburg	SF 2961	Nelson ; Wiger ; Newton	Radon testing in public school buildings requirement
Reading proficiency	HF 3852	Edelson ; Kunesh-Podein ; Bahner ; Morrison ; Acomb	SF 3653	Chamberlain	Reading proficiency and screening by third grade reporting requirements clarification. Referred to Senate E-12 Finance and Policy and House Policy.
Referendum Equalization	HF3715	Davids	SF 3533	Chamberlain, Gazelka, Eichorn, Benson, and Hall	Modifying individual income and corporate franchise taxes, special taxes, and property taxes; modifying individual income tax brackets, the K-12 education expense credit, and section 179 expensing provisions; providing for a full subtraction of taxable Social Security income and ongoing funding for the small business investment tax credit; modifying certain lawful gambling tax and other provisions; modifying referendum equalization levy; appropriating money. Referred to the Committee on Taxes.
Referendum Renewals	HF 116	Freiberg	SF 109	Rest	School districts authorized to renew expiring referendums by action of school board. Moved to House Policy and Senate E-12 Education.
Restrictive procedures	H.F. 3434	Hassan and Cantrell	SF 3373	Abeler, Hoffman, and Clausen	Repealing standards for restrictive procedures. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.
Safe Schools Aid	H.F. 3574	Pryor, Kresha, Edelson, Baker and Davnie	SF 3857	Anderson, P. ; Dahms ; Clausen ; Pratt ; Chamberlain	Authorizing a one-year continuation of safe schools aid; increasing the safe schools levy. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division.
Safe Schools Aid	HF 4338	Erickson, Koznick, Gruenhagen	SF 3629	Nelson, Limmer, Torres Ray, Wiger, and Draheim	Increasing safe schools revenue. Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy.
Safe Schools Levy	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF 3971	Bigham	Safe schools levy allowable uses modification and appropriation
Screening	H.F. 3504	Morrison, Mann, Richardson and Stephenson	SF 3310	Cwodinski	A bill for an act relating to education; limiting the use of individual-use screens in preschool and kindergarten; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.
Short-call Substitutes	HF 3265	Poppe	SF 3637	Sparks, Nelson, Dahms, and Clausen	Establishing a short-call substitute teacher pilot program. Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy and House Policy.
Special Education	HF 4247	Edelson	SF 4162	Chamberlain	Special education program capacity provisions modified.
State Auditor School Finance Accountability	HF4201	Sandell ; Davnie ; Kunesh-Podein ; Youakim ; Pryor	SF 3933	Carlson	State auditor funding for school finance accountability team provided, work billing exempted until July 1, 2024.
Student Athletes, concussion and health information	H.F. 3123	Christensen	SF 4003	Dziedzic ; Torres Ray ; Clausen ; Housley ; Sparks	Requiring concussion and sudden cardiac arrest information and training for student athletes. The bill was referred to the Committee on Education Policy.



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Student discipline	H.F. 3396	Her, Youakim, Richardson and Kunesh-Podein	SF 3650	Torres Ray ; Wiger ; Kent	Modifying student discipline and nonexclusionary disciplinary policies and practices. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy and Senate E-12 Finance and Policy.
Tax Credit	HF 3765	Robbins, Erickson, Daudt, Mekeland, Scott, Albright, Garofalo, Kresha, Demuth, Kiel, Vogel, Nash, Runbeck, Gruenhagen, Heintzeman, Gunther and Novotny	SF 3495	Chamberlain, Pratt, Senjem, and Gazelka	Modifying the K-12 education expense subtraction and credit; extending the credit to tuition; increasing the subtraction and credit amounts; increasing the income phaseout for the credit; adjusting the credit and subtraction amounts and credit phaseout thresholds for inflation. Moved to House Policy and Senate E-12 Education.
Teacher Code of Ethics	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF 3915	Nelson ; Anderson, P. ; Abeler	Teacher code of ethics codification; ethics complaints process development requirement
Teacher Licensure	HF 3800	Kunesh-Podein, Sandell, Sandstede, Jordan and Youakim	SF 4153	Kent ; Cwodzinski ; Wiger ; Isaacson	Modifying teacher licensure provisions. Referred to House Education Policy.
Teacher Licensure	H.F. 3580	Youakim	SF 3730	Clausen	Modifying teacher licensure provisions; modifying Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board composition. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.
Teacher Licensure	HF 4257	Moller ; Christensen ; Demuth ; Erickson ; Urdahl	SF 3759	Nelson ; Clausen	Teacher license renewal requirements amended to include mental illness training, and rulemaking required.
Teachers of Color Act	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF3630	Nelson; Anderson, P.; Wiger; and Torres Ray	Amending the administration of the collaborative urban and greater Minnesota educators of color grant program; providing for hiring bonuses. Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy.
Teachers of Color Act	H.F. 3201	Kunesh-Podein, Koznick, Moran, Lee, Noor, Klevorn, Youakim and Davnie	HF 4166	Abeler ; Nelson ; Eichorn ; Torres Ray ; Hayden	Strengthening the Increase Teachers of Color Act; seeking to increase the percentage of teachers of color and American Indian teachers in Minnesota. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.
Test Results Report	HF 4169	Hassan	SF 4100	Utke	School district test result reports requirements modification
Tobacco Exception	HF 4291	Richardson ; Becker-Finn ; Kunesh-Podein ; Hansen	No companion as of 3/12/20		Public schools tobacco exception created for American Indian students carrying a medicine pouch containing loose tobacco intended for traditional spiritual or cultural practices.
Trauma-informed school incentive aid	HF 3556	Moran ; Hassan ; Xiong, J. ; Gomez ; Kunesh-Podein ; Lee ; Dehn ; Kresha ; Richardson ; Bierman ; Freiberg	SF 3638	Abeler, Rarick, Hoffman, and Torres Ray	Trauma-informed school incentive aid. Referred to Senate E-12 Finance and Policy and House Policy.
Vaping	H.F. 3164	Edelson, Baker, Youakim, Albright and Vang	S.F. No. 3186	Nelson and Clausen	Requiring vaping awareness and prevention instruction for public school students. Moved to House Policy and Senate E-12 Education.
Vaping	H.F. 3166	Edelson, Baker, Youakim, Albright, Richardson and Vang	S.F. No. 3184	Nelson, Clausen, and Rosen	A bill for an act relating to education; requiring vaping awareness and prevention instruction for public school students; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B. Referred to the Committee on E-12 Finance and Policy and to the House Committee on Education Policy.
Wage Theft	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF 4295	Pratt ; Draheim	Employee written notice warning requirement
Wage Theft	No companion as of 3/12/20		SF 3986	Nelson	School employee notice requirements exemption