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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Education Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; allowing school district noncompliance with unfunded
1.3 mandates; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 123B.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. [123B.023] NO MANDATES WITHOUT FUNDING.

1.6 Subdivision 1. District noncompliance allowed. Until the amount of revenue needed
1.7 to pay for a mandate identified in state law or rule is appropriated, a school district is not
1.8 required to comply with a state mandate that:

1.9 (1) affects the daily operation of schools;

1.10 (2) affects the authority of a school board to establish locally developed education
1.11 policies;

1.12 (3) changes a school district's curriculum; or

1.13 (4) changes a school district's spending priorities.

1.14 Subd. 2. Exceptions. A school district must comply with a mandate if the amount of
1.15 revenue needed for compliance is incidental compared to the school district's total budget.

1.16 A school district must continue to comply with any law governing financial audit
1.17 requirements or directly affecting the life, safety, and health of students.

1.18 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section applies to state mandates that are in effect after June
1.19 30, 2025.