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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Education Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education finance; directing the commissioner of education to adjust
1.3 pupil units for certain fiscal year 2021 revenue formulas; amending Laws 2019,
1.4 First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 25, subdivision 2, as amended.

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

1.6 Section 1. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 25, subdivision
1.7 2, as amended by Laws 2020, chapter 116, article 6, section 1, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 2. **General education aid.** For general education aid under Minnesota Statutes,
1.9 section 126C.13, subdivision 4:

1.10 \$ 7,347,424,000 2020

1.11 ~~7,509,639,000~~

1.12 \$ 2021

1.13 The 2020 appropriation includes \$700,383,000 for 2019 and \$6,647,041,000 for 2020.

1.14 The 2021 appropriation includes \$711,885,000 for 2020 and ~~\$6,797,754,000~~ \$..... for
1.15 2021.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

1.17 Sec. 2. **ADJUSTING PUPIL UNITS FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL REVENUE**
1.18 **FORMULAS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021.**

1.19 (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2021 revenue only, the
1.20 commissioner of education must adjust the 2020-2021 school year pupil units of a school
1.21 district or charter school used to calculate revenue for the following programs to ensure that
1.22 state aid payments and district levy amounts do not fall below the amount estimated for

2.1 fiscal year 2021 based on the February 2020 forecast. The commissioner may adjust the
2.2 following formulas:

2.3 (1) general education revenue under Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.10, excluding
2.4 declining enrollment revenue in Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.10, subdivision 2d;

2.5 (2) referendum revenue under Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.17;

2.6 (3) capital levies under Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.40;

2.7 (4) English learner aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.65;

2.8 (5) special education revenue under Minnesota Statutes, section 125A.76;

2.9 (6) achievement and integration revenue under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.862;

2.10 (7) charter school building lease aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124E.22;

2.11 (8) long-term facilities maintenance revenue under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.595;

2.12 (9) safe schools levy under Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.44;

2.13 (10) charter school general education revenue under Minnesota Statutes, section 124E.20;

2.14 (11) charter school special education aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124E.21;

2.15 and

2.16 (12) charter school special education transportation revenue under Minnesota Statutes,
2.17 section 124E.23.

2.18 (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for declining enrollment revenue for fiscal
2.19 year 2021 only, the commissioner of education must adjust the fiscal year 2021 pupil counts
2.20 for a school district or charter school or use any other mechanism that allows the full
2.21 statewide fiscal year 2021 revenue estimated in the February 2020 forecast to be distributed.
2.22 This amount must be prorated at the end of the fiscal year if statewide declining enrollment
2.23 revenue exceeds the February 2020 forecast estimate of this revenue for fiscal year 2021.

2.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.