

2.1 and financial competency of the school, including its success in increasing student
2.2 achievement and meeting the goals of the charter school agreement; and

2.3 (8) an assurance specifying that the organization is committed to serving as an
2.4 authorizer for the full five-year term.

2.5 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), an authorizer that is a school district may satisfy
2.6 the requirements of paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), and any requirement governing
2.7 a conflict of interest, an ongoing evaluation, or continuing education by submitting a
2.8 "statement of assurances" of legal compliance to the commissioner.

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

2.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 124E.05, subdivision 5, is
2.11 amended to read:

2.12 Subd. 5. **Review by commissioner.** (a) The commissioner shall review an
2.13 authorizer's performance every five years in a manner and form determined by the
2.14 commissioner, subject to paragraph (b), and may review an authorizer's performance
2.15 more frequently at the commissioner's own initiative or at the request of a charter school
2.16 operator, charter school board member, or other interested party. The commissioner, after
2.17 completing the review, shall transmit a report with findings to the authorizer.

2.18 (b) The commissioner's form must use existing department data on the authorizer to
2.19 minimize duplicate reporting to the extent practicable. When reviewing an authorizer's
2.20 performance under this subdivision, the commissioner must not (1) fail to credit, (2)
2.21 withhold points, or (3) otherwise penalize an authorizer for failing to charter additional
2.22 schools or for the absence of complaints against the authorizer's current portfolio of
2.23 charter schools.

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