

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to education; requiring school districts to use certified mail to notify
1.3 parents when their children are suspended from school; amending Minnesota
1.4 Statutes 2008, section 121A.46, subdivision 3.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 121A.46, subdivision 3, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 3. **Written notice of grounds for suspension.** A written notice containing
1.9 the grounds for suspension, a brief statement of the facts, a description of the testimony, a
1.10 readmission plan, and a copy of sections 121A.40 to 121A.56, shall be personally served
1.11 upon the pupil at or before the time the suspension is to take effect, and upon the pupil's
1.12 parent or guardian by certified mail within 48 hours of the conference. The district
1.13 shall make reasonable efforts to notify the parents of the suspension by telephone, or by
1.14 electronic means if the parents previously requested electronic notice for this purpose, as
1.15 soon as possible following suspension. ~~In the event~~ If a pupil is suspended without an
1.16 informal administrative conference on the grounds that the pupil will create an immediate
1.17 and substantial danger to surrounding persons or property, the written notice shall be
1.18 served upon the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian within 48 hours of the suspension.
1.19 Service by mail is complete upon mailing.

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