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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Higher Education Finance and Policy

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; requesting the Board of Regents establish a special
1.3 commission to review intercollegiate athletics.

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

1.5 Section 1. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SPECIAL COMMISSION ON
1.6 INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORTS.

1.7 It is requested that the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota establish a
1.8 special commission in conjunction with the Minnesota Athletics Alliance to conduct a
1.9 comprehensive review and evaluation of the role of intercollegiate athletics at the University
1.10 of Minnesota. The duties of the commission include but are not limited to determining the
1.11 value of athletics and the preservation of intercollegiate sports opportunities for university
1.12 students, exploring reasonable financing models for nonrevenue sports, and establishing
1.13 evidence-based proposals to guide decisions affecting the future of athletics at the University
1.14 of Minnesota. If the commission is established, it is requested that the research and findings
1.15 of the commission be provided to members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
1.16 over higher education issues.