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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; requiring the commissioner of the Office of Higher  
 1.3 Education to conduct a performance measurement study.

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

1.5 Section 1. **PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT STUDY.**

1.6 (a) The commissioner of the Office of Higher Education, in consultation with higher  
 1.7 education segments and appropriate stakeholders, shall study and develop student success  
 1.8 metrics by program for eligible postsecondary institutions participating in state aid programs  
 1.9 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136A. The purpose of the metrics are to better inform  
 1.10 students and their families of the degree to which institutions adopt policies and practices  
 1.11 that promote affordability and timely student success, and highlight expected workforce  
 1.12 outcomes. The student success metrics should be disaggregated by demographics identified  
 1.13 by the commissioner, including race and ethnicity, in order to meet the state's goal of  
 1.14 eliminating educational attainment disparities across all race groups under Minnesota  
 1.15 Statutes, section 135A.012, subdivision 5. At a minimum, the metrics should address the  
 1.16 following key issues:

1.17 (1) affordability to students;

1.18 (2) student success;

1.19 (3) elimination of racial disparities;

1.20 (4) likelihood of employment and wages; and

1.21 (5) allow for program and institutional performance comparisons with the performance  
 1.22 of peer programs and institutions with similar missions and characteristics.

2.1 (b) No later than January 1, 2022, the commissioner shall submit a report to the chairs  
2.2 and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over higher  
2.3 education describing the results of the study, specifying the student success measures, and  
2.4 identifying data items for each performance measure. Following the submission of the  
2.5 commissioner's report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative  
2.6 committees with jurisdiction over higher education on January 1, 2022, institutions  
2.7 participating in programs under Minnesota Statutes, sections 136A.121 and 136A.1701, are  
2.8 required to annually submit the data items identified by the commissioner in the report in  
2.9 order for the commissioner to publish the metrics.