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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 state agencies; transferring the school nutrition programs unit from the
1.3 Department of Education to the Department of Agriculture.

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

1.5 Section 1. **TRANSFER OF DUTIES.**

1.6 By July 1, 2023, the commissioner of education must, with the necessary approval by
1.7 the United States Department of Agriculture, in coordination with the commissioner of
1.8 agriculture, and pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 15.039, transfer the unit responsible
1.9 for conducting school nutrition programs under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D, from
1.10 the Department of Education to the Department of Agriculture. The transfer must include
1.11 all employees, books, accounts, documents, data of any classification, and all property
1.12 required to carry out the duties of the school nutrition program unit under Minnesota Statutes,
1.13 chapter 124D.

1.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2022.

1.15 Sec. 2. **WAIVER REQUEST.**

1.16 By September 30, 2022, the commissioner of education must submit any federal waivers
1.17 and approvals necessary to implement the transfer of duties under this act. The commissioner
1.18 must inform the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
1.19 jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education when the waiver request is
1.20 submitted along with a copy of the submitted waiver. The commissioner must also inform
1.21 the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
1.22 over kindergarten through grade 12 education of any federal action regarding this request.

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

2.2 Sec. 3. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

2.3 The revisor of statutes, in consultation with staff from the House Research Department;
2.4 House Fiscal Analysis; the Office of Senate Counsel, Research, and Fiscal Analysis; and
2.5 the respective departments, must prepare legislation for introduction in the 2023 legislative
2.6 session proposing the statutory changes needed to implement the transfer of duties required
2.7 by this act.

2.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2022.