

April 6, 2020

Honorable Cheryl Youakim
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Dear Representative Youakim,

Thank you for your consideration of non-COVID-19 bills during this time. We understand the new demands this pandemic has placed on lawmakers and appreciate all you are doing, and have done, to move forward.

Per your request, we are forwarding a list of bills representing compromised language so various education organizations support different bills to different degrees. Please note we have included one not previously mentioned, HF 853 regarding functional behavioral assessments.

HF3179 (Sandell): School district transportation contracts clarified. (1st engrossment)

HF 2968 (Freiberg): School referendum election maximum notice period extended from 30 to 45 days.

HF 575 (Huot): Unclaimed drugs or medications in schools, disposal provided.

HF 55 (Jurgens): School meal provisions modified. *(All education organizations support this bill, as well as Legal Aid and Hunger Solutions)*

HF 2383 (Sanstede) School trust lands director provisions modified

HF 3419 (Christensen) Education; preliminary license during pending background check allowed

HF 853 (Torkelson) Individualized education programs; functional behavior assessments allowed under certain circumstances. *(Please note, we do not support the private duty nurse in schools provision in SF 3764, a bill that includes the FBA provision.)*

Chair Youakim, we appreciate the opportunity to share our support. We hope these bills can move forward and provide solutions to our districts.

Stay well!

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Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA)
Minnesota Association of School Administrators (MASA)
Schools for Equity in Education (SEE)
Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP)
Minnesota Elementary School Principals' Association (MESPA)
Minnesota Community Education Association (MCEA)
Minnesota Rural Education Association (MREA)
Minnesota Administrators for Special Education (MASE)