

1.1 ..... moves to amend H.F. No. 2746, the delete everything amendment  
1.2 (A24-0299), as follows:

1.3 Page 22, after line 2, insert:

1.4 "Sec. .... Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 124D.142, subdivision 2, as  
1.5 amended by Laws 2024, chapter 80, article 4, section 10, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **System components.** (a) The standards-based voluntary quality rating and  
1.7 improvement system includes:

1.8 (1) at least a one-star rating for all voluntary prekindergarten programs under section  
1.9 124D.151, Head Start programs, and programs licensed under Minnesota Rules, chapter  
1.10 9502 or 9503, or Tribally licensed that do not opt out of the system under paragraph (b) and  
1.11 that are not:

1.12 (i) the subject of a finding of fraud for which the program or individual is currently  
1.13 serving a penalty or exclusion;

1.14 (ii) prohibited from receiving public funds under section 245.095, regardless of whether  
1.15 the action is under appeal;

1.16 (iii) under revocation, suspension, temporary immediate suspension, or decertification,  
1.17 or is operating under a conditional license, regardless of whether the action is under appeal;  
1.18 or

1.19 (iv) the subject of suspended, denied, or terminated payments to a provider under section  
1.20 119B.13, subdivision 6, paragraph (d), clause (1) or (2); 245E.02, subdivision 4, paragraph  
1.21 (c), clause (4); or 256.98, subdivision 1, regardless of whether the action is under appeal;

1.22 (2) quality opportunities in order to improve the educational outcomes of children so  
1.23 that they are ready for school;

2.1 (3) a framework based on the Minnesota quality rating system rating tool and a common  
2.2 set of child outcome and program standards informed by evaluation results;

2.3 (4) a tool to increase the number of publicly funded and regulated early learning and  
2.4 care services in both public and private market programs that are high quality;

2.5 (5) voluntary participation ensuring that if a program or provider chooses to participate,  
2.6 the program or provider will be rated and may receive public funding associated with the  
2.7 rating; ~~and~~

2.8 (6) tracking progress toward statewide access to high-quality early learning and care  
2.9 programs, progress toward the number of low-income children whose parents can access  
2.10 quality programs, and progress toward increasing the number of children who are fully  
2.11 prepared to enter kindergarten; and

2.12 (7) beginning August 1, 2024, a uniform rating process for all programs under the system,  
2.13 with prohibitions on automatic rating processes for any program, including but not limited  
2.14 to a voluntary prekindergarten program under section 124D.151.

2.15 (b) By July 1, 2026, the commissioner of children, youth, and families shall establish a  
2.16 process by which a program may opt out of the rating under paragraph (a), clause (1). The  
2.17 commissioner shall consult with Tribes to develop a process for rating Tribally licensed  
2.18 programs that is consistent with the goal outlined in paragraph (a), clause (1)."

2.19 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

2.20 Amend the title accordingly