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Overview

The Perpich Center for Arts Education (PCAE) was established by the 1987 Legislature. The PCAE operates three programs: a statewide public Arts High School for 11th and 12th grade students; professional development and research that serves Minnesota's K-12 schools; and a statewide library/learning resource center with books and materials for use by teachers, artists, students, and the general public.

The state funds the three functions of the Perpich Center through one direct appropriation. Students who attend the Perpich Arts High School do not separately generate general education aid.

- 1 Alternative teacher compensation.** Removes the references to the Perpich Center for Arts Education from the alternative teacher compensation program.
- 2 Perpich Center for Arts Education.** Creates statutory authority for the Perpich Center to be re-established as a charter school. Requires the Perpich Center to seek a charter school authorizer, and if one cannot be found, requires the Department of Education to sponsor the school until an authorizer can be found.
- 3 Dissolution of Perpich Center for Arts Education.** Dissolves the Perpich Center for Arts Education. Transfers the Perpich Center's records to the Department of Education. Transfers oversight of the facility to the Department of Administration and gives the Perpich School, if it organizes as a charter school, first right of refusal for the existing space in Golden Valley.
- 4 Appropriations.** Appropriates an unspecified amount of money in fiscal years 2012 and 2013 to the commissioner of education for purposes of making the final payments necessary to close the Perpich Center for Arts Education.
- 5 Repealer.** Repeals the statutes that establish and govern the Perpich Center for Arts Education on July 1, 2011.