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Overview

Directs teacher preparation programs to provide their students with a school year-long student teaching program. Requires a report on allowing an income tax credit for student teachers participating in year-long programs.

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- 1 **License and rules.** (d) Requires teacher preparation programs to provide a school year-long student teaching program that combines clinical opportunities with academic coursework and in-depth student teaching experiences and offer students mentorship, coaching, and assessment, help with preparing a professional development plan, and structured learning experiences.
Makes this section effective for the 2016-2017 school year and thereafter.
- 2 **Report on the tax credit for student teachers.** Requires the commissioner of revenue to report to the legislature on allowing an individual income tax credit for student teachers who participate in a full school year program. The report must include:
 - information of the number of student teachers currently participating in full-year programs and the number estimated to participate if a tax credit were allowed;
 - the structure of credit most likely to encourage participation; and
 - draft legislation for a tax credit that would take effect in tax year 2016.
- 3 **Appropriation; MNSCU.** Appropriates \$400,000 to the MNSCU Board of Trustees to administer pilot program grants to offer teacher candidates a school year-long student

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teaching experience. Requires a report to the legislature on the school year-long student teaching program.