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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1999

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to government data practices; adding certain restrictions on public data
1.3 requests to a school district; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.03, by
1.4 adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.03, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 3a. Data requests to school districts. (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "school
1.9 district" means an independent or special school district, as defined in section 120A.05.

1.10 (b) The provisions in this subdivision apply to a request made to a school district to
1.11 inspect or receive copies of public government data pursuant to subdivision 3. The provisions
1.12 in this subdivision are in addition to those contained in subdivision 3, except that when the
1.13 provisions of this subdivision conflict with those of subdivision 3, this subdivision prevails.
1.14 This subdivision does not apply to a request made by a data subject under section 13.04.

1.15 (c) A person may not request public data from a school district anonymously. The
1.16 requesting person must provide the school district's responsible authority or designee with
1.17 the identification credentials required by the responsible authority.

1.18 (d) In addition to any other fees or charges allowable under this chapter, if a requesting
1.19 person fails to appear to inspect the requested data, the responsible authority may require
1.20 the requesting person to pay the costs authorized to be charged under subdivision 3, paragraph
1.21 (c), plus the cost of employee time spent separating public from not public data.

- 2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
- 2.2 applies to data requests made on or after that date.