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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES H. F. No. 1167 NINETY-FIRST SESSION

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| 1.1 | A bill for an act |
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| 1.2 | relating to health; requiring a study on breastfeeding disparities. |
| 1.3 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: |
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| 1.4 | Section 1. STUDY ON BREASTFEEDING DISPARITIES; STAKEHOLDER |
| 1.5 | ENGAGEMENT. |
| 1.6 | The commissioner of health shall work with community stakeholders in Minnesota |
| 1.7 | including but not limited to the Minnesota Breastfeeding Coalition; the women, infants, |
| 1.8 | and children program; hospitals and clinics; local public health professionals and |
| 1.9 | organizations; community-based organizations; and representatives of populations with low |
| 1.10 | breastfeeding rates to carry out a study identifying barriers, challenges, and successes |
| 1.11 | affecting initiation, duration, and exclusivity of breastfeeding. The study shall address policy, |
| 1.12 | systemic, and environmental factors that both support and create barriers to breastfeeding. |
| 1.13 | The study shall identify and make recommendations regarding culturally appropriate practices |
| 1.14 | that have been shown to increase breastfeeding rates in populations that have the greatest |
| 1.15 | breastfeeding disparity rates. A report on the study must be completed and submitted to the |
| 1.16 | chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over |
| 1.17 | health care policy and finance on or before September 15, 2020. |