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Overview

Directs school districts and the education department to work to provide students with access to licensed student support services, to explore funding opportunities for improving students' access to such services and to consider recommended licensed staff-to-student ratios, work loads and best practices.

Section

1 Licensed student support services.

Subd. 1. Access to services. Directs school districts and the education department to work to provide students with access to licensed student support services, including school nurses, counselors, social workers and psychologists, to support the students' educational achievement, safety and physical, emotional and social well-being.

Subd. 2. Funding. Directs school districts and the education department to explore funding opportunities for improving students' access to licensed student support services.

Subd. 3. Improving access. Directs school districts and the education department to consider nationally recommended licensed staff-to-student ratios, work loads and best practices when working to improve students' access to licensed student support services.