

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2760, the delete everything amendment
1.2 (H2760DE1), as follows:

1.3 Page 4, line 2, after "Learning" insert

1.4 "The council shall establish a task force to develop these recommendations. The task
1.5 force shall include two non-executive or legislative branch representatives from the
1.6 council; six representatives from the early childhood caucus; two representatives each
1.7 from the departments of education, human services, and health; one representative each
1.8 from a local public health agency, a local county human services board, and a school
1.9 district; and two representatives from the private nonprofit organizations that support
1.10 early childhood programs in Minnesota. In developing recommendations, the task force
1.11 shall consider how to:

1.12 (i) consolidate and coordinate resources and public funding streams for early
1.13 childhood education and child care, and ensure the accountability and coordinated
1.14 development of all early childhood education and child care services to children from birth
1.15 to kindergarten entrance;

1.16 (ii) create a seamless transition from early childhood programs to kindergarten;

1.17 (iii) encourage family choice by ensuring a mixed system of high-quality public and
1.18 private programs, with local points of entry, staffed by well-qualified professionals;

1.19 (iv) ensure parents a decisive role in the planning, operation, and evaluation of
1.20 programs that aid families in the care of children;

1.21 (v) provide consumer education and accessibility to early childhood education
1.22 and child care resources;

1.23 (vi) advance the quality of early childhood education and child care programs in
1.24 order to support the healthy development of children and preparation for their success
1.25 in school;

2.1 (vii) develop a seamless service delivery system with local points of entry for early
2.2 childhood education and child care programs administered by local, state, and federal
2.3 agencies;

2.4 (viii) develop and manage an effective data collection system to support the
2.5 necessary functions of a coordinated system of early childhood education and child care in
2.6 order to enable accurate evaluation of its impact;

2.7 (ix) respect and be sensitive to family values and cultural heritage; and

2.8 (x) establish the administrative framework for and promote the development of early
2.9 childhood education and child care services in order to provide that these services, staffed
2.10 by well-qualified professionals, are available in every community for all families that
2.11 express a need for them.

2.12 In addition, the task force must consider the following responsibilities for transfer
2.13 to the Office of Early Learning:

2.14 (i) responsibilities of the commissioner of education for early childhood education
2.15 programs and financing under sections 119A.50 to 119A.535, 121A.16 to 121A.19, and
2.16 124D.129 to 124D.2211;

2.17 (ii) responsibilities of the commissioner of human services for child care assistance,
2.18 child care development, and early childhood learning and child protection facilities
2.19 programs and financing under chapter 119B and section 256E.37; and

2.20 (iii) responsibilities of the commissioner of health for family home visiting programs
2.21 and financing under section 145A.17.

2.22 Any costs incurred by the council in making these recommendations will be paid
2.23 from private funds. If no private funds are received, the council will not proceed in
2.24 making these recommendations. The council will report its recommendations to the
2.25 governor and the legislature by January 15, 2011"