

SHB 1282 - H AMD

By Representative Schindler

1 On page 2, beginning on line 27, strike all of section 2 and
2 insert the following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The office of the superintendent of
4 public instruction shall conduct a pilot project to assess the
5 effectiveness of abstinence-only sexual health education curricula
6 and comprehensive sexual health education curricula. Two school
7 districts shall teach an abstinence-only sexual health education
8 curriculum and two school districts shall teach a comprehensive
9 sexual health education curriculum in accordance with the January
10 2005 guidelines for sexual health information and disease
11 prevention of the department of health and office of the
12 superintendent of public instruction.

13 The pilot project shall begin in September 2005 and shall
14 conclude in June 2009. Upon completion of the pilot project, each
15 school district shall report upon the success of the sexual health
16 education curricula, including the students' abilities to make
17 responsible sexual health decisions, and teenage pregnancy rates
18 and sexually-transmitted disease rates among the participants. The
19 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall make the
20 results of the pilot project available in a report to the
21 legislature by December 1, 2009."

EFFECT: Removes the requirement that school districts that offer sexual health education ensure that the curricula are consistent with the Department of Health and Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction Guidelines. Establishes a three-year pilot project to compare the effectiveness of abstinence-only and comprehensive sexual health education programs.