

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

S.F. No. 517

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330 Introduction and first reading
Referred to Education Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; requiring instruction to advance critical thinking skills;
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **[120B.028] CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS.**

1.6 To advance critical thinking skills in history and science, a school district must provide
1.7 instruction to students in grades 9 to 12 exploring the contrast between the scientific facts
1.8 on how sickness, disease, pain, suffering, and death relate to the existence of complex living
1.9 organisms, and how sickness, disease, pain, suffering, and death are a consequence imposed
1.10 by the Creator of complex living organisms.

1.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.