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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 984

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; prohibiting a school board from not renewing a coaching
1.3 contract based solely on the existence of parent complaints; amending Minnesota
1.4 Statutes 2012, section 122A.33, subdivision 3.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.33, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. Notice of nonrenewal; opportunity to respond. A school board that
1.8 declines to renew the coaching contract of a licensed or nonlicensed head varsity coach
1.9 must notify the coach within 14 days of that decision. If the coach requests reasons for not
1.10 renewing the coaching contract, the board must give the coach its reasons in writing within
1.11 ten days of receiving the request. The existence of parent complaints must not be the sole
1.12 reason for a board to not renew a coaching contract. Upon request, the board must provide
1.13 the coach with a reasonable opportunity to respond to the reasons at a board meeting. The
1.14 hearing may be opened or closed at the election of the coach unless the board closes the
1.15 meeting under section 13D.05, subdivision 2, to discuss private data.

1.16 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.