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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **957**

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

03/06/2013 Adoption of Report: Pass and re-referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to education; prohibiting the construction of schools near former
1.3 landfills; requiring notice by schools located near former landfills; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123B.51, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123B.51, is amended by adding a
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 1a. **School on landfill site; notice.** (a) After July 1, 2013, no school may be
1.9 constructed within one-quarter mile of land that was used as a landfill.

1.10 (b) A school located within one-quarter mile of land that was used as a landfill must
1.11 annually provide written notice by regular mail no later than 60 days prior to the beginning
1.12 of the school year to parents of all students enrolled at the school and to all employees
1.13 who work at the school that states that the school is located within one-quarter mile of
1.14 land that was used as a landfill. The notice must include a map drawn to scale depicting
1.15 the school grounds and the landfill perimeter. The school must display a link to the notice
1.16 and the map on the main home page of its Web site.

1.17 (c) For the purposes of this subdivision:

1.18 (1) "landfill" means a site designed or operated for the purpose of the disposal of
1.19 solid waste on or in the land, irrespective of whether the site was issued a solid waste
1.20 facility permit by the Pollution Control Agency; and

1.21 (2) "school" means buildings and athletic fields used by students at a school as
1.22 defined in section 120A.05, subdivisions 9, 11, 13, and 17.