SENATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

S.F. No. 1825

1.1   A bill for an act

1.2   relating to education; requiring aquatics instruction in public schools; amending

1.3   Laws 2010, chapter 396, section 7, subdivision 3.

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

1.5   Section 1. Laws 2010, chapter 396, section 7, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.6   Subd. 3. **Standards adoption.** (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections

1.7   120B.021, subdivision 2, and 120B.023, any statutory criteria required when reviewing

1.8   or revising standards and benchmarks and any requirements governing the content of

1.9   statewide standards or any other law to the contrary, the commissioner of education shall

1.10   initially adopt the most recent standards developed by the National Association for Sport

1.11   and Physical Education for physical education in grades kindergarten through 12.

1.12   (b) The commissioner must include aquatics instruction in the standards for physical

1.13   education in kindergarten through grade 12. A school site without a pool or without

1.14   access to a pool within ten miles of the school site at least must provide the students with

1.15   instruction on water safety, water safety rescue techniques, dry land strokes, kick practice,

1.16   and buoyancy principles. A person providing aquatics instruction under this paragraph

1.17   must possess a current certificate from the American Red Cross or YMCA of the U.S.A.

1.18   lifeguard training program or be equivalently qualified. In addition, the person must be

1.19   certified in standard first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

1.20   Sec. 2. Laws 2010, chapter 396, section 7, the effective date, is amended to read:

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

2.2   except for subdivision 3, paragraph (b), which is effective in the 2014-2015 school year

2.3   and later.