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S.F. No. 620 – Pilot Program to Improve Educational Outcomes and Accountability

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Section 1. Pilot Program to Improve Educational Outcomes and Accountability.

Subdivision 1. **Establishment**. Requires the department to establish a pilot program to redesign performance frameworks for high schools that will improve educational outcomes for students of color starting in the 2023-2024 school year.

Subdivision 2. **Performance measures**. Requires the equity-focused framework for each school in the pilot program to include various measures and descriptions such as enrollment data, basic needs support provided by the school, data on the number of students who receive social-emotional and mental health support, instruction provided by the school, and culturally and real-life relevant curriculum provided by the school, etc.

Subdivision 3. **Reports**. (a) Requires the commissioner to submit a report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education detailing the effectiveness of the first year of the pilot program and recommendations for improvement by July 1, 2024.

(b) Requires the commissioner to submit a report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over kindergarten through grade 12 education detailing the effectiveness of the pilot program after two years and details on school implementation and performance measures by July 1, 2025.

Effective Date. Makes this section effective July 1, 2023.

Section 2. **Appropriation; Pilot Program**. Appropriates blank amounts from the general fund to the Department of Education for a grant to the Pillsbury United Communities to use for the implementation of the pilot program in section 1.

Effective Date. Makes this section effective July 1, 2023.