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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1251

Introduced by: Representatives Brown (Richard), Brooks, Brown (Jarvis), Earley, Eccarius, Garnos, Hennies, Lucas, McCoy, Monroe, and Peterson and Senators Brown (Arnold), Everist, and Vitter

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish the A+ Schools Program and the A+ Schools  
2 Partnership Fund.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. The Department of Education and Cultural Affairs shall establish a pilot program  
5 to be known as the A+ Schools Program to integrate the creative learning of the arts, including  
6 visual art, theater, music, and dance, into all areas of the curriculum for grades one through five.  
7 The Department of Education and Cultural Affairs shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter  
8 1-26 to establish criteria for the selection of sites to become A+ schools, to establish and define  
9 program parameters and administrative requirements, and to allocate available funding for the  
10 program. The department shall gather statistical information and annually report to the  
11 Legislature on the progress of the pilot schools participating in the A+ Schools Program.

12 Section 2. There is hereby established in the state treasury the A+ schools partnership fund.  
13 Money may enter the fund from all lawful sources, including any state, federal, or local  
14 government agency, and any private association, person, or corporation. Any interest earned on  
15 money in the fund shall be deposited in the fund. Any money in the fund is continuously  
16 appropriated to the Department of Education and Cultural Affairs to develop the A+ Schools

1 Program pursuant to section 1 of this Act.