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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Education Finance Division

A bill for an act

relating to libraries; reducing aid to a public library that hosts drag queen story hour; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 134.34, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 134.34, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **Drag queen story hour.** (a) "Drag queen story hour" or "drag queen story time" means a children's event in which a drag queen reads stories or books to children or engages in other learning or educational activities with children in a library setting.

(b) For calendar year 2021 and later, a public library that hosts a drag queen story hour event shall have regional library system support aid from the Department of Education reduced by 100 percent. A public library in a regional public library system that hosts a drag queen story hour event is ineligible for regional library basic system support aid from the Department of Education and the regional library basic system support aid must be reapportioned equally among the other public libraries in the participating regional public library system.