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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; creating a task force on establishing culturally and
1.3 linguistically accessible resources for Asian-Pacific women and their children
1.4 seeking independence from exploitative, abusive, and dangerous circumstances;
1.5 requiring a report.

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

1.7 Section 1. **ASIAN-PACIFIC MINNESOTAN WOMEN PROTECTION AND**
1.8 **SUPPORT PROGRAM TASK FORCE.**

1.9 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The commissioner of human services and the
1.10 Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans shall appoint an advisory task force of ten
1.11 members by June 1, 2014, to research the existing system of support for Asian-Pacific
1.12 Minnesotan women and their children living in vulnerable and dangerous circumstances,
1.13 the effectiveness of the system in providing aid to Asian-Pacific Minnesotan women and
1.14 their children, and any further improvements of the system to ensure that culturally and
1.15 linguistically accessible resources are available and delivered to Asian-Pacific Minnesotan
1.16 women and their children.

1.17 Subd. 2. **Duties.** The duties of the task force include:

1.18 (1) reviewing the state of Asian-Pacific Minnesotan women, especially those who
1.19 have limited English proficiency, are recent refugees or immigrants, and are in vulnerable
1.20 and dangerous circumstances;

1.21 (2) evaluating the effectiveness and accessibility of existing support programs for
1.22 Asian-Pacific Minnesotan women;

1.23 (3) building on those evaluation findings and recommending possible culturally and
1.24 linguistically accessible resources and programs for the women; and

1.25 (4) providing estimates of the funds needed for the resources and programs.

2.1 Subd. 3. **Report.** By December 19, 2014, the task force must submit its
2.2 recommendations to the commissioner of human services and the Council on Asian-Pacific
2.3 Minnesotans. By January 15, 2015, the commissioner and the Council on Asian-Pacific
2.4 Minnesotans shall report findings and recommendations to the house of representatives
2.5 and senate committees with subject matter jurisdiction.

2.6 Subd. 4. **Sunset.** The task force expires March 15, 2015.

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