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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; establishing a working group to recommend services,
1.3 advocacy, and verification tools or programs to assist victims of identity theft;
1.4 requiring a report.

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

1.6 Section 1. **VICTIMS OF IDENTITY THEFT; WORKING GROUP.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Working group established.** The commissioner of public safety
1.8 shall convene a working group to study the advocacy and legal needs of victims of
1.9 identity theft. The working group shall make recommendations for services, advocacy,
1.10 and verification tools or programs that can be employed to assist these victims.

1.11 Subd. 2. **Membership.** The working group shall include:

1.12 (1) the commissioner or a designee;

1.13 (2) the director of the Office of Justice Programs or a designee;

1.14 (3) the superintendent of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension or a designee;

1.15 (4) the attorney general or a designee;

1.16 (5) the commissioner of revenue or a designee;

1.17 (6) the commissioner of commerce or a designee;

1.18 (7) a representative of the Minnesota Alliance on Crime;

1.19 (8) a representative of the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

1.20 (9) a representative of the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association; and

1.21 (10) a representative of a legal services organization providing assistance to victims
1.22 of identity theft.

1.23 The commissioner may invite other organizations that work actively on the issue of
1.24 services for and advocacy on behalf of victims of identity theft.

2.1 Subd. 3. **Administrative issues.** The commissioner shall convene the first meeting
2.2 of the working group by September 1, 2015. The Department of Public Safety shall
2.3 provide meeting space and administrative support to the working group. The working
2.4 group shall select a chair from among its members.

2.5 Subd. 4. **Report required.** By February 15, 2016, the working group shall submit
2.6 a report to the chairs and ranking members of the senate and house of representatives
2.7 committees and divisions having jurisdiction over public safety and consumer
2.8 protection. The report must summarize the working group's activities and include its
2.9 recommendations. The recommendations must be specific, include estimates of the costs
2.10 involved in implementing the recommendations, and provide draft legislation, if needed,
2.11 to implement the recommendations.