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OFFICIAL STATUS  
Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Human Services Reform Finance and Policy

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to taxation; property; requiring the legislative auditor to conduct a special
- 1.3 review of county costs related to child protection; requiring a report; appropriating
- 1.4 money.
- 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6 Section 1. **CHILD PROTECTION COST STUDY.**
- 1.7 (a) The legislative auditor must conduct a special review of the costs to Minnesota
- 1.8 counties for the provision of child protective services. The review must include:
- 1.9 (1) an overview of the roles and responsibilities of counties in Minnesota's child protective
- 1.10 services system and a comparison of these roles and responsibilities to those in other states;
- 1.11 (2) from 2013 through 2022, the amount each county spent on duties related to child
- 1.12 protective services;
- 1.13 (3) from 2013 through 2022, the amount of federal and state funds received by each
- 1.14 county for duties related to child protective services; and
- 1.15 (4) from 2013 through 2022, the amount each county paid for child protective services
- 1.16 using property tax revenue.
- 1.17 (b) The legislative auditor must complete the review by August 1, 2023, and must report
- 1.18 the results of the review to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
- 1.19 committees with jurisdiction over property taxation.

2.1        Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.2        \$..... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the Office of the

2.3        Legislative Auditor for the purposes of conducting the review required by section 1. This

2.4        is a onetime appropriation.