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NINETIETH SESSION**

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9301 Introduction and first reading  
Referred to E-12 Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to children; establishing a Children's Cabinet working group on early  
1.3 childhood programs.

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

1.5 Section 1. **CHILDREN'S CABINET WORKING GROUP ON EARLY CHILDHOOD**  
1.6 **PROGRAMS.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. Establishment; meetings. (a) The Children's Cabinet shall convene a  
1.8 working group on early childhood programs.

1.9 (b) The current chair of the Children's Cabinet or the chair's designee shall serve as the  
1.10 chair of the working group and must convene the first meeting of the working group by  
1.11 September 15, 2018. The working group must meet periodically. The meetings must be  
1.12 open to the public.

1.13 Subd. 2. Duties. (a) The working group must study each of the key facts and findings  
1.14 and recommendations made by the legislative auditor in its April 2018 evaluation report on  
1.15 early childhood programs.

1.16 (b) The working group must solicit input from agencies represented on the Children's  
1.17 Cabinet, early childhood program providers, child care providers, families accessing services  
1.18 in Minnesota's early childhood programs, county and school officials, and other interested  
1.19 stakeholders.

1.20 Subd. 3. Administration. The members of the Children's Cabinet must provide technical  
1.21 and administrative assistance to the working group upon request.

2.1 Subd. 4. **Recommendations; report.** The working group must issue a report to the  
2.2 governor and chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with  
2.3 jurisdiction over early childhood programs by January 15, 2019. The report must include  
2.4 any draft legislation to make any recommended changes to the law to improve the  
2.5 effectiveness of Minnesota's system of early childhood programs.

2.6 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** The working group expires January 16, 2019.

2.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2018.