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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Health and Human Services

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to child protection; requiring the commissioner of human services to  
1.3 conduct a review of child maltreatment reporting systems and make  
1.4 recommendations; requiring a report.

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

1.6 Section 1. **DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER; CHILD MALTREATMENT**  
1.7 **REPORTING SYSTEMS REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS.**

1.8 The commissioner of human services must review current child maltreatment reporting  
1.9 processes and systems in various states and evaluate the costs and benefits of each reviewed  
1.10 state's system. In consultation with stakeholders, including but not limited to counties,  
1.11 Tribes, and organizations with expertise in child maltreatment prevention and child  
1.12 protection, the commissioner must develop recommendations on implementing a statewide  
1.13 common entry point system for reporting child maltreatment in Minnesota, outlining the  
1.14 benefits, challenges, and costs of such a transition. By December 1, 2024, the commissioner  
1.15 must submit a report detailing the commissioner's recommendations to the chairs and ranking  
1.16 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over child protection. The  
1.17 commissioner must also publish the report on the department's website.

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