



S.F. No. 1898 – Child welfare system fiscal analysis (as proposed to be amended by the A-1 amendment)

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Section 1 (Direction to commissioner; Child welfare fiscal analysis) directs the commissioner of children, youth, and families to contract with a third-party consultant to conduct a child welfare fiscal analysis.

Subdivision 1 requires the commissioner to contract with a third-party consultant to conduct a fiscal analysis to identify and make recommendations on how to best utilize all available child welfare funding streams and federal resources.

Subdivision 2 requires the commissioner to select an independent third-party consultant with input from stakeholders and requires the consultant to have expertise in and experience with child welfare systems and conducting fiscal analyses.

Subdivision 3 provides what the consultant must evaluate when conducting the fiscal analysis.

Subdivision 4 requires the consultant to engage with stakeholders as the consultant deems appropriate.

Subdivision 5 requires the consultant to submit a report to the commissioner and legislature that makes recommendations and provides the results of the fiscal analysis.

Subdivision 6 allows Minnesota's Tribal Nations to elect to participate in the fiscal analysis and provides that the Tribal Nations that choose to participate have control over the data they choose to share.

Section 2 (Appropriation) contains a blank, onetime appropriation in fiscal year 2026 from the general fund to the commissioner to contract with the consultant to perform the fiscal analysis.



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