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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. F. No. 129 NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

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

02/17/2025 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy

03/03/2025 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register

Read for the Second Time 03/06/2025 Calendar for the Day

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Read for the Third Time

Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate

A bill for an act 1.1

relating to public safety; requiring director of child sex trafficking prevention to 1.2 submit a program evaluation each odd-numbered year to the legislature; amending 1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 145.4718. 1.4

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 145.4718, is amended to read:

145.4718 PROGRAM EVALUATION.

- (a) The director of child sex trafficking prevention established under section 145.4716 must conduct, or contract for, comprehensive evaluation of the statewide program for safe harbor for sexually exploited youth. The first evaluation must be completed by June 30, 2015, and must be submitted director must submit an updated evaluation to the commissioner of health and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees with jurisdiction over health and public safety by September 1, 2015, and every two years thereafter of each odd-numbered year. The evaluation must consider whether the program is reaching intended victims and whether support services are available, accessible, and adequate for sexually exploited youth, as defined in section 260C.007, subdivision 31.
- (b) In conducting the evaluation, the director of child sex trafficking prevention must consider evaluation of outcomes, including whether the program increases identification of sexually exploited youth, coordination of investigations, access to services and housing available for sexually exploited youth, and improved effectiveness of services. The evaluation must also include examination of the ways in which penalties under section 609.3241 are

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assessed, collected, and distributed to ensure funding for investigation, prosecution, and

victim services to combat sexual exploitation of youth.

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