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Authored by Pinto, Coulter, Kotyza-Witthuhn and Hanson, J., The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy

1.1	A bill for an act		
1.2	relating to state government; modifying the children's cabinet; establishing the		
1.3	Department of Children, Youth, and Families; transferring responsibilities from		
1.4 1.5	the Department of Education, Department of Human Services, and Department of Public Safety to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families; requiring reports;		
1.6	authorizing rulemaking; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022,		
1.7	sections 4.045; 10.65, subdivision 2; 15.01; 15.06, subdivision 1; 15A.0815,		
1.8 1.9	subdivision 2; 43A.08, subdivision 1a; 256.014, subdivisions 1, 2; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 143.		
1.10	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:		
1.11	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 4.045, is amended to read:		
1.12	4.045 CHILDREN'S CABINET.		
1.13	The Children's Cabinet shall consist of the commissioners of education; human services;		
1.14	employment and economic development; public safety; corrections; management and		
1.15	budget; health; administration; Housing Finance Agency, and; transportation; and the		
1.16	director of the Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning children, youth, and families.		
1.17	The governor shall designate one member to serve as cabinet chair. The chair is responsible		
1.18	for ensuring that the duties of the Children's Cabinet are performed.		
1.19	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective July 1, 2024.		
1.20	Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10.65, subdivision 2, is amended to read:		
1.21	Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings		
1.22	given:		

(1) "agency" means the Department of Administration;; Department of Agriculture;; 2.1 Department of Children, Youth, and Families; Department of Commerce;; Department of 2.2 Corrections;; Department of Education;; Department of Employment and Economic 2.3 Development,; Department of Health,; Office of Higher Education,; Housing Finance 2.4 Agency;; Department of Human Rights;; Department of Human Services;; Department of 2.5 Information Technology Services;; Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation;; 2.6 Department of Labor and Industry; Minnesota Management and Budget; Bureau of 2.7 Mediation Services;; Department of Military Affairs;; Metropolitan Council;; Department 2.8 of Natural Resources; Pollution Control Agency; Department of Public Safety; Department 2.9 of Revenue; Department of Transportation; Department of Veterans Affairs; Gambling 2.10 Control Board; Racing Commission; the Minnesota Lottery; the Animal Health Board; 2.11 and the Board of Water and Soil Resources; 2.12

(2) "consultation" means the direct and interactive involvement of the Minnesota Tribal 2.13 governments in the development of policy on matters that have Tribal implications. 2.14 Consultation is the proactive, affirmative process of identifying and seeking input from 2.15 appropriate Tribal governments and considering their interest as a necessary and integral 2.16 part of the decision-making process. This definition adds to statutorily mandated notification 2.17 procedures. During a consultation, the burden is on the agency to show that it has made a 2.18 good faith effort to elicit feedback. Consultation is a formal engagement between agency 2.19 officials and the governing body or bodies of an individual Minnesota Tribal government 2.20 that the agency or an individual Tribal government may initiate. Formal meetings or 2.21 communication between top agency officials and the governing body of a Minnesota Tribal 2.22 government is a necessary element of consultation; 2.23

(3) "matters that have Tribal implications" means rules, legislative proposals, policy
statements, or other actions that have substantial direct effects on one or more Minnesota
Tribal governments, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the state
and Minnesota Tribal governments;

(4) "Minnesota Tribal governments" means the federally recognized Indian Tribes located
in Minnesota including: Bois Forte Band; Fond Du Lac Band; Grand Portage Band; Leech
Lake Band; Mille Lacs Band; White Earth Band; Red Lake Nation; Lower Sioux Indian
Community; Prairie Island Indian Community; Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community;
and Upper Sioux Community; and

2.33 (5) "timely and meaningful" means done or occurring at a favorable or useful time that
allows the result of consultation to be included in the agency's decision-making process for
a matter that has Tribal implications.

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#### 3.1

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15.01, is amended to read: 3.2

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#### **15.01 DEPARTMENTS OF THE STATE.**

The following agencies are designated as the departments of the state government: the 3.4 Department of Administration; the Department of Agriculture; the Department of Children, 3.5 Youth, and Families; the Department of Commerce; the Department of Corrections; the 3.6 Department of Education; the Department of Employment and Economic Development; 3.7 the Department of Health; the Department of Human Rights; the Department of Information 3.8 Technology Services; the Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation; the 3.9 Department of Labor and Industry; the Department of Management and Budget; the 3.10 Department of Military Affairs; the Department of Natural Resources; the Department of 3.11 Public Safety; the Department of Human Services; the Department of Revenue; the 3.12 Department of Transportation; the Department of Veterans Affairs; and their successor 3.13 departments. 3.14

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#### **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 3.16

Subdivision 1. Applicability. This section applies to the following departments or 3.17 agencies: the Departments of Administration;; Agriculture;; Children, Youth, and Families; 3.18 Commerce;; Corrections;; Education;; Employment and Economic Development;; Health;; 3.19 Human Rights;; Labor and Industry;; Management and Budget;; Natural Resources;; Public 3.20 Safety; Human Services; Revenue; Transportation; and Veterans Affairs; the Housing 3.21 Finance and Pollution Control Agencies; the Office of Commissioner of Iron Range 3.22 Resources and Rehabilitation; the Department of Information Technology Services; the 3.23 Bureau of Mediation Services; and their successor departments and agencies. The heads of 3.24 the foregoing departments or agencies are "commissioners." 3.25

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024. 3.26

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.0815, subdivision 2, is amended to read: 3.27

Subd. 2. Group I salary limits. The salary for a position listed in this subdivision shall 3.28 not exceed 133 percent of the salary of the governor. This limit must be adjusted annually 3.29 on January 1. The new limit must equal the limit for the prior year increased by the percentage 3.30 increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers from October of the 3.31 second prior year to October of the immediately prior year. The commissioner of management 3.32

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4.1	and budget must publish the limit on	the department's website	e. This subdivision	applies to
4.2	the following positions:			
4.3	Commissioner of administration;			
4.4	Commissioner of agriculture;			
4.5	Commissioner of education;			
4.6	Commissioner of children, youth	, and families;		
4.7	Commissioner of commerce;			
4.8	Commissioner of corrections;			
4.9	Commissioner of health;			
4.10	Commissioner, Minnesota Office	of Higher Education;		
4.11	Commissioner, Housing Finance	Agency;		
4.12	Commissioner of human rights;			
4.13	Commissioner of human services;			
4.14	Commissioner of labor and indus	try;		
4.15	Commissioner of management ar	nd budget;		
4.16	Commissioner of natural resource	es;		
4.17	Commissioner, Pollution Control	Agency;		
4.18	Commissioner of public safety;			
4.19	Commissioner of revenue;			
4.20	Commissioner of employment an	d economic developmen	ıt;	
4.21	Commissioner of transportation;	and		
4.22	Commissioner of veterans affairs			
4.23	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section	on is effective July 1, 202	24.	
4.24	Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, se	ection 43A.08, subdivisio	on 1a, is amended to	o read:
4.25	Subd. 1a. Additional unclassifie	<b>d positions.</b> Appointing	authorities for the f	ollowing
4.26	agencies may designate additional un	nclassified positions acco	ording to this subdiv	vision: the
4.27	Departments of Administration; Agr	iculture; Children, Youth	<u>, and Families; Cor</u>	nmerce;

4.28 Corrections; Education; Employment and Economic Development; Explore Minnesota

5.1	Tourism; Management and Budget; Health; Human Rights; Labor and Industry; Natural
5.2	Resources; Public Safety; Human Services; Revenue; Transportation; and Veterans Affairs;
5.3	the Housing Finance and Pollution Control Agencies; the State Lottery; the State Board of
5.4	Investment; the Office of Administrative Hearings; the Department of Information
5.5	Technology Services; the Offices of the Attorney General, Secretary of State, and State
5.6	Auditor; the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities; the Minnesota Office of Higher
5.7	Education; the Perpich Center for Arts Education; and the Minnesota Zoological Board.
5.8	A position designated by an appointing authority according to this subdivision must
5.9	meet the following standards and criteria:
5 10	(1) the designation of the position would not be contrary to other law relating specifically
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5.11	to that agency;
5.12	(2) the person occupying the position would report directly to the agency head or deputy
5.13	agency head and would be designated as part of the agency head's management team;
5.14	(3) the duties of the position would involve significant discretion and substantial
5.15	involvement in the development, interpretation, and implementation of agency policy;
5.16	(4) the duties of the position would not require primarily personnel, accounting, or other
5.17	technical expertise where continuity in the position would be important;
5.18	(5) there would be a need for the person occupying the position to be accountable to,
5.19	loyal to, and compatible with, the governor and the agency head, the employing statutory
5.20	board or commission, or the employing constitutional officer;
5.21	(6) the position would be at the level of division or bureau director or assistant to the
5.22	agency head; and
5.23	(7) the commissioner has approved the designation as being consistent with the standards
	and criteria in this subdivision.
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5.25	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective July 1, 2024.
5.26	Sec. 7. [143.01] DEFINITIONS.
5.27	Subdivision 1. Application. The definitions in this section apply to this chapter.
5.28	Subd. 2. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of children, youth,
5.29	and families.
5.30	Subd. 3. Department. "Department" means the Department of Children, Youth, and

5.31 <u>Families.</u>

6.1	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective July 1, 2024.
6.2	Sec. 8. [143.02] CREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH,
6.3	AND FAMILIES.
6.4	Subdivision 1. Department. The Department of Children, Youth, and Families is
6.5	established.
6.6	Subd. 2. Transfer and restructuring provisions. The restructuring of agencies under
6.7	this act must be conducted in accordance with sections 15.039 and 43A.045.
6.8	Subd. 3. Successor and employee protection clause. (a) Personnel relating to the
6.9	functions assigned to the commissioner in section 143.03 are transferred to the department
6.10	effective 30 days after approval by the commissioner.
6.11	(b) Before the commissioner's appointment, personnel relating to the functions in this
6.12	section may be transferred beginning July 1, 2024, with 30 days' notice from the
6.13	commissioner of management and budget.
6.14	(c) All employees transferred to the department remain in the same employment status,
6.15	bargaining unit, and civil service protection as the employees had before the transfer. All
6.16	collective bargaining agreements that cover any employee of the Departments of Human
6.17	Services, Education, Health, or Public Safety who is transferred to the Department of
6.18	Children, Youth, and Families remain in effect.
6.19	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective July 1, 2024.
6.20	Sec. 9. [143.03] COMMISSIONER.
6.21	Subdivision 1. General. The department is under the administrative control of the
6.22	commissioner. The commissioner is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent
6.23	of the senate. The commissioner has the general powers provided in section 15.06,
6.24	subdivision 6. The commissioner's salary must be established according to the procedure
6.25	in section 15A.0815, subdivision 5, in the same range as specified for the commissioner of
6.26	management and budget.
6.27	Subd. 2. Duties of the commissioner. (a) The commissioner may apply for and accept
6.28	on behalf of the state any grants, bequests, gifts, or contributions for the purpose of carrying
6.29	out the duties and responsibilities of the commissioner. Any money received under this
6.30	paragraph is appropriated and dedicated for the purpose for which the money is granted.
6.31	The commissioner must biennially report to the chairs and ranking minority members of

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7.1	relevant legislative committees and divisions by January 15 of each even-numbered year a
7.2	list of all grants and gifts received under this subdivision.
7.3	(b) Pursuant to law, the commissioner may apply for and receive money made available
7.4	from federal sources for the purpose of carrying out the duties and responsibilities of the
7.5	commissioner.
7.6	(c) The commissioner may make contracts with and grants to Tribal nations, public and
7.7	private agencies and organizations, both for-profit and nonprofit, and individuals using
7.8	appropriated money.
7.9	(d) The commissioner must develop program objectives and performance measures for
7.10	evaluating progress toward achieving the objectives. The commissioner must identify the
7.11	objectives, performance measures, and current status of achieving the measures in a biennial
7.12	report to the chairs and ranking minority members of relevant legislative committees and
7.13	divisions. The report is due no later than January 15 each even-numbered year. The report
7.14	must include, when possible, the following objectives:
7.15	(1) increasing the effectiveness of the department's programs in addressing the needs of
7.16	children and youth facing racial, economic, or geographic inequities;
7.17	(2) increasing coordination and reducing inefficiencies among the department's programs
7.17 7.18	(2) increasing coordination and reducing inefficiencies among the department's programs and the funding sources that support the programs;
7.18	and the funding sources that support the programs;
7.18 7.19	and the funding sources that support the programs; (3) increasing the alignment and coordination of family access to child care and early
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<ul> <li>7.18</li> <li>7.19</li> <li>7.20</li> <li>7.21</li> <li>7.22</li> <li>7.23</li> </ul>	and the funding sources that support the programs; (3) increasing the alignment and coordination of family access to child care and early learning programs and improving systems of support for early childhood and learning providers and services; (4) improving the connection between the department's programs and the kindergarten through grade 12 system and the higher education system; and
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<u>(2)</u> Tl	he commissioners of human services, health, education, public safety, employment
and econ	omic development, commerce, administration, and management and budget may
have acc	ess to data of any classification held by the commissioner of children, youth, and
families,	to the extent not prohibited by state or federal law.
<u>(3)</u> A	ny data shared under this subdivision retain their classification from the agency
holding t	he data.
<u>(4)</u> D	ata under this subdivision may be shared with and used by the specified agencies
without t	the consent of the subject of the data.
EFFI	ECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2024.
Sec. 10	0. [143.04] STATE AND COUNTY SYSTEMS.
Subd	ivision 1. Establishment of systems. (a) The commissioner shall establish and
enhance	computer systems necessary for the efficient operation of the programs the
commiss	ioner supervises, including:
<u>(1) m</u>	anagement and administration of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
(SNAP) a	and income maintenance program, including the electronic distribution of benefits;
and	
<u>(2) m</u>	anagement and administration of the child support enforcement program.
<u>(b)</u> Tl	he commissioner's development costs incurred by computer systems for statewide
programs	s administered with that computer system and mandated by state or federal law
<u>must not</u>	be assessed against county agencies. The commissioner may charge a county for
developn	nent and operating costs incurred by computer systems for functions requested by
the count	ty and not mandated by state or federal law for programs administered by the
computer	r system incurring the cost.
<u>(c)</u> Tł	he commissioner shall distribute the nonfederal share of the costs of operating and
maintain	ing the systems to the commissioner and to the counties participating in the system
in a man	ner that reflects actual system usage, except that the nonfederal share of the costs
of the M.	AXIS computer system and child support enforcement systems for statewide
programs	s administered by those systems and mandated by state or federal law shall be borne
entirely b	by the commissioner.
<u>(d)</u> Tl	he commissioner may enter into contractual agreements with federally recognized
Indian Ti	ribes with a reservation in Minnesota to participate in state-operated computer
systems	related to the management and administration of the SNAP, income maintenance,

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- 9.1 and child support enforcement programs to the extent necessary for the Tribe to operate a
- 9.2 federally approved family assistance program or any other program under the supervision
  9.3 of the commissioner.
- 9.4 Subd. 2. State systems account created. A state systems account for the Department
- 9.5 of Children, Youth, and Families is created in the state treasury. Money collected by the
- 9.6 <u>commissioner for the programs in subdivision 1 must be deposited in the account. Money</u>
- 9.7 in the state systems account and federal matching money are appropriated to the
- 9.8 <u>commissioner for purposes of this section.</u>
- 9.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.
- 9.10 Sec. 11. [143.05] RULEMAKING.
- 9.11 (a) The commissioner may use the procedure in section 14.386, paragraph (a), to adopt
- 9.12 rules necessary to implement the responsibilities transferred under this act or through section
- 9.13 <u>16B.37. Section 14.386, paragraph (b), does not apply to these rules.</u>
- 9.14 (b) The commissioner must amend Minnesota Rules to make conforming changes related
- 9.15 to the transfer of responsibilities under this act or through section 16B.37. The commissioner
- 9.16 must obtain the approval of the commissioners of human services, education, health, and
- 9.17 public safety for any amendments to or repeal of rules in existence on the effective date of
- 9.18 this section and administered under the authority of those agencies.
- 9.19 (c) The time limit in section 14.125 is extended to 36 months for rulemaking under
- 9.20 paragraphs (a) and (b). The commissioner must publish a notice of intent to adopt rules or
- 9.21 a notice of hearing within 36 months of the effective date reported under section 143.05,
- 9.22 <u>subdivision 1, paragraph (c).</u>
- 9.23 (d) The commissioner may adopt rules for the administration of activities related to the
- 9.24 department. Rules adopted under this paragraph are subject to the rulemaking requirements
- 9.25 of chapter 14.
- 9.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.
- 9.27 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256.014, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 9.28 Subdivision 1. Establishment of systems. (a) The commissioner of human services
- 9.29 shall establish and enhance computer systems necessary for the efficient operation of the
- 9.30 <u>medical assistance and other programs the commissioner supervises, including:</u>

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- 10.1 (1) management and administration of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

(SNAP) and income maintenance program, including the electronic distribution of benefits;

10.3 (2) management and administration of the child support enforcement program; and

#### 10.4 (3) administration of medical assistance.

(b) The commissioner's development costs incurred by computer systems for statewide
programs administered by that computer system and mandated by state or federal law must
not be assessed against county agencies. The commissioner may charge a county for
development and operating costs incurred by computer systems for functions requested by
the county and not mandated by state or federal law for programs administered by the
computer system incurring the cost.

(c) The commissioner shall distribute the nonfederal share of the costs of operating and
maintaining the systems to the commissioner and to the counties participating in the system
in a manner that reflects actual system usage, except that the nonfederal share of the costs
of the MAXIS computer system and child support enforcement systems for statewide
programs administered by those systems that system and mandated by state or federal law
shall be borne entirely by the commissioner.

10.17 The commissioner may enter into contractual agreements with federally recognized
10.18 Indian tribes with a reservation in Minnesota to participate in state-operated computer
10.19 systems related to the management and administration of the SNAP, income maintenance,
10.20 ehild support enforcement, and medical assistance programs program to the extent necessary
10.21 for the tribe to operate a federally approved family the medical assistance program or any
10.22 other program under the supervision of the commissioner.

#### 10.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

10.24 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256.014, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

10.25 Subd. 2. State systems account created. A state systems account for the Department

10.26 of Human Services is created in the state treasury. Money collected by the commissioner

10.27 of human services for the programs in subdivision 1 must be deposited in the account.

10.28 Money in the state systems account and federal matching money is appropriated to the

10.29 commissioner of human services for purposes of this section.

#### 10.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

11.1	Sec. 14. APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND
11.2	FAMILIES.
11.3	The governor shall appoint a commissioner-designee of the Department of Children,
11.4	Youth, and Families. The person appointed becomes the governor's appointee as the
11.5	commissioner of children, youth, and families on July 1, 2024.
11.6	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE.</b> This section is effective July 1, 2023.
11.7	Sec. 15. TRANSFERS FROM OTHER AGENCIES.
11.8	Subdivision 1. General. (a) Between July 1, 2024, and July 1, 2025, the Departments
11.9	of Human Services, Education, Health, and Public Safety must transition all of the
11.10	responsibilities held by these departments and described in this section to the Department
11.11	of Children, Youth, and Families.
11.12	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), any programs identified in paragraph (a) that require
11.13	federal approval to move to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families must be
11.14	transferred on or after July 1, 2024, and upon the federal government granting transfer
11.15	authority to the commissioner of children, youth, and families.
11.16	(c) The commissioner of children, youth, and families must report an effective date of
11.17	the transfer of each responsibility identified in this section to the commissioners of
11.18	administration, management and budget, and other relevant departments along with the
11.19	secretary of the senate, the chief clerk of the house of representatives, and the chairs and
11.20	ranking minority members of relevant legislative committees and divisions. The reported
11.21	date is the effective date of transfer of responsibilities under Minnesota Statutes, section
11.22	<u>15.039.</u>
11.23	(d) The requirement in Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.37, subdivision 1, that a state
11.24	agency must have been in existence for at least one year before being eligible for receiving
11.25	a transfer of personnel, powers, or duties does not apply to the Department of Children,
11.26	Youth, and Families.
11.27	(e) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 15.039, subdivision 6, for the transfer
11.28	of responsibilities conducted under this chapter, the unexpended balance of any appropriation
11.29	to an agency for the purposes of any responsibilities that are transferred to the Department
11.30	of Children, Youth, and Families, along with the operational functions to support the
11.31	responsibilities transferred, including administrative, legal, information technology, and

11.32 personnel support, and a proportional share of base funding, are reappropriated under the

11.33 same conditions as the original appropriation to the Department of Children, Youth, and

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Families effective on the date of the transfer of responsibilities and related elements. The 12.1 commissioner of management and budget shall identify and allocate any unexpended 12.2 12.3 appropriations and base funding. (f) The commissioner of children, youth, and families or management and budget may 12.4 request an extension to transfer any responsibility listed in this section. The commissioner 12.5 of children, youth, and families or management and budget may request that the transfer of 12.6 any responsibility listed in this section be canceled if an effective date has not been reported 12.7 12.8 under paragraph (c). Any request under this paragraph must be made in writing to the governor. Upon approval from the governor, the transfer may be delayed or canceled. Within 12.9 ten days after receiving the approval of the governor, the commissioner who requested the 12.10 transfer shall submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of relevant legislative 12.11 committees and divisions a notice of any extensions or cancellations granted under this 12.12 paragraph. 12.13 Subd. 2. Department of Human Services. The powers and duties of the Department 12.14 of Human Services with respect to the following responsibilities and related elements are 12.15 transferred to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families according to Minnesota 12.16 12.17 Statutes, section 15.039: (1) family services and community-based collaboratives under Minnesota Statutes, 12.18 section 124D.23; 12.19 12.20 (2) child care programs under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 119B; (3) Parent Aware quality rating and improvement system under Minnesota Statutes, 12.21 section 124D.142; 12.22 (4) migrant child care services under Minnesota Statutes, section 256M.50; 12.23 12.24 (5) early childhood and school-age professional development training under Laws 2007, 12.25 chapter 147, article 2, section 56; (6) licensure of family child care and child care centers, child foster care, and private 12.26 12.27 child placing agencies under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 245A; (7) certification of license-exempt child care centers under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 12.28 12.29 245H; (8) program integrity and fraud related to the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), 12.30 the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), and the Supplemental Nutrition 12.31 Assistance Program (SNAP) under Minnesota Statutes, chapters 119B and 245E; 12.32

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13.1	(9) SNAP under Minnesota Statutes, sections 256D.61 to 256D.63;
13.2	(10) electronic benefit transactions under Minnesota Statutes, sections 256.9862,
13.3	256.9863, 256.9865, 256.987, 256.9871, 256.9872, and 256J.77;
13.4	(11) Minnesota food assistance program under Minnesota Statutes, section 256D.64;
13.5	(12) Minnesota food shelf program under Minnesota Statutes, section 256E.34;
13.6	(13) MFIP and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) under Minnesota
13.7	Statutes, sections 256.9864 and 256.9865 and chapters 256J and 256P;
13.8	(14) Diversionary Work Program (DWP) under Minnesota Statutes, section 256J.95;
13.9	(15) resettlement programs under Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.06, subdivision 6;
13.10	(16) child abuse under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256E;
13.11	(17) reporting of the maltreatment of minors under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260E;
13.12	(18) children in voluntary foster care for treatment under Minnesota Statutes, chapter
13.13	<u>260D;</u>
13.14	(19) juvenile safety and placement under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260C;
13.15	(20) the Minnesota Indian Family Preservation Act under Minnesota Statutes, sections
13.16	<u>260.751 to 260.835;</u>
13.17	(21) the Interstate Compact for Juveniles under Minnesota Statutes, section 260.515 and
13.18	the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children under Minnesota Statutes, sections
13.19	<u>260.851 to 260.93;</u>
13.20	(22) adoption under Minnesota Statutes, sections 259.20 to 259.89;
13.21	(23) Northstar Care for Children under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256N;
13.22	(24) child support under Minnesota Statutes, chapters 13, 13B, 214, 256, 256J, 257, 259,
13.23	518, 518A, 518C, 551, 552, 571, and 588 and section 609.375;
13.24	(25) community action programs under Minnesota Statutes, sections 256E.30 to 256E.32;
13.25	and
13.26	(26) Family Assets for Independence in Minnesota under Minnesota Statutes, section
13.27	<u>256E.35.</u>
13.28	Subd. 3. Department of Education. The powers and duties of the Department of
13.29	Education with respect to the following responsibilities and related elements are transferred

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14.1	to the Department of Children, Youth	n, and Families accord	ling to Minnesota Sta	tutes, section
14.2	<u>15.039:</u>			
14.3	(1) Head Start Program and Early	Head Start under Mir	nnesota Statutes, sect	tions 119A.50
14.4	to 119A.545;			
14.5	(2) the early childhood screening	g program under Min	nesota Statutes, secti	ions 121A.16
14.6	to 121A.19;			
14.7	(3) early learning scholarships u	nder Minnesota Statu	ites, section 124D.16	<u>55;</u>
14.8	(4) the interagency early childho	od intervention syste	m under Minnesota	Statutes,
14.9	sections 125A.259 to 125A.48;			
14.10	(5) voluntary prekindergarten pr	ograms and school re	adiness plus prograr	ns under
14.11	Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.1	51 <u>;</u>		
14.12	(6) early childhood family educa	tion programs under	Minnesota Statutes,	sections
14.13	<u>124D.13 to 124D.135;</u>			
14.14	(7) school readiness under Minn	esota Statutes, section	ns 124D.15 to 124D	.16; and
14.15	(8) after-school community learn	ning programs under	Minnesota Statutes,	section
14.16	<u>124D.2211.</u>			
14.17	Subd. 4. Department of Public	Safety. The powers a	and duties of the Dep	partment of
14.18	Public Safety with respect to the fol	lowing responsibilitie	es and related eleme	nts are
14.19	transferred to the Department of Ch	ildren, Youth, and Fa	milies according to l	Minnesota
14.20	Statutes, section 15.039:			
14.21	(1) the juvenile justice program	under Minnesota Stat	utes, section 299A.7	<sup>7</sup> 2; and
14.22	(2) grants-in-aid to youth interve	ention programs unde	r Minnesota Statutes	s, section
14.23	<u>299A.73.</u>			
14.24	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section	on is effective July 1	<u>, 2024.</u>	
14.25	Sec. 16. <u>REVISOR INSTRUCT</u>	<u>ION.</u>		
14.26	The revisor of statutes must iden	tify, in consultation v	with the commission	ers of
14.27	management and budget; human ser	vices; education; hea	ulth; and public safet	y and with
14.28	nonpartisan legislative offices, any	changes to Minnesota	a Statutes and Minne	sota Rules
14.29	necessary to facilitate the transfer of	f responsibilities unde	er this act, the author	rity to fulfill
14.30	the responsibilities under this act, and	d the related operation	nal functions needed	to implement
14.31	the necessary legal changes and resp	ponsibilities under thi	is act. By February 1	, 2024, the

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- 15.1 revisor of statutes must submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of relevant
- 15.2 legislative committees and divisions draft legislation with the statutory changes necessary
- 15.3 to implement this act.
- 15.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

### 15.5 Sec. 17. APPROPRIATIONS.

- 15.6 (a) \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the
- 15.7 commissioner of management and budget to support the creation of the Department of
- 15.8 Children, Youth, and Families. The commissioner of management and budget may transfer
- 15.9 the money held in the transition account to other agencies. This is a onetime appropriation
- 15.10 and is available until June 30, 2025.
- (b) \$2,370,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the
- 15.12 commissioner of management and budget for the planning, research, analysis, and other
- 15.13 efforts needed to launch the Department of Children, Youth, and Families and to transition
- 15.14 programs to the department. On or after July 1, 2024, the commissioner of management
- 15.15 and budget may transfer all or part of the responsibility and funding to the commissioner
- 15.16 of children, youth, and families. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June
- 15.17 <u>30, 2025.</u>
- 15.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.