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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform,  
Technology and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to state government; creating a Minnesota State Government  
1.3 Contingency Planning Commission; requiring a report; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **MINNESOTA STATE GOVERNMENT CONTINGENCY PLANNING**  
1.6 **COMMISSION.**

1.7 (a) The Minnesota State Government Contingency Planning Commission is created  
1.8 to study the implications for the state of Minnesota of further economic decline or of  
1.9 dramatically reduced federal payments to states.

1.10 (b) The commission consists of the commissioner of finance, who shall serve as  
1.11 chair, and the following 15 public members:

1.12 (1) five members appointed by the governor;

1.13 (2) four members appointed by the senate Rules and Administration Subcommittee  
1.14 on Committees;

1.15 (3) one member appointed by the senate minority leader;

1.16 (4) four members appointed by the speaker of the house; and

1.17 (5) one member appointed by the house minority leader.

1.18 (c) Per diem and expense reimbursement, removal of members, and filling of  
1.19 vacancies shall be as provided by Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059.

1.20 (d) The commissioner of finance must convene the initial meeting of the commission.  
1.21 The commissioner must provide administrative and staff support to the commission.

1.22 (e) The commission must report to the governor and the legislature by January 15,  
1.23 2010. The report must:

1.24 (1) identify the risks to the State of Minnesota related to:

- 2.1 (i) the federal government's potential inability to meet its financial or service  
2.2 commitments; and
- 2.3 (ii) potential further economic decline;
- 2.4 (2) estimate the impact of the risks in terms of potential loss of federal income and  
2.5 other state revenues, and the resulting impact to state services;
- 2.6 (3) recommend strategies that would help the state adjust to and minimize the loss of  
2.7 income and service impact;
- 2.8 (4) recommend a plan for continuous monitoring of specific leading indicators  
2.9 that trigger certain actions by the state; and
- 2.10 (5) recommend specific steps to be taken by the state if the actions are triggered.
- 2.11 (f) This section expires June 30, 2010.

2.12 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.13 \$..... is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of finance for the  
2.14 fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, for purposes of section 1.