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Overview

Requires accountability measures and reports as a condition of receiving state funds.

Section

- Subdivision 1. Accountability measurement. Requires the commissioner of employment and economic development to develop by October 1, 2009, a uniform accountability report for economic or workforce development programs funded by state or federal funds. The commissioner must also develop a formula for measuring return on investment and comparisons between programs. Requires the commissioner to report to the legislature by October 15, 2009.
 - **Subd. 2. Report to the legislature.** Requires the commissioner to report to the legislature in even numbered years information on each program receiving state or federal funds. The information to be reported would include: the target population, the region where the program operated, the amount of state or federal funds received, the number of jobs affected by the program and the net number of new jobs created, the average annual wage per job, how unemployment is affected, how MFIP utilization is affected, and the return on investment.
 - **Subd. 3. Report to the commissioner.** Before receiving a grant from the department, a recipient must report to the commissioner on the items required in subdivision 2. The commissioner must notify grant applicants and recipients about the data collection and reporting requirements and provide compliance assistance.
 - **Subd. 4. Biennial budget.** Requires biennial budget submissions to include information collected and reported under the proposal.