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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill requires the legislature to enact a law each year authorizing the Metropolitan Council's budget. If a law is not enacted, the Council is authorized to continue at its previously authorized levels.

- 1 Meeting procedures (Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government).** Requires the commission to meet at least once a year.
- 2 Powers; duties; Metropolitan Council levy, budget oversight.** Provides for the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government to make its recommendations to the legislature by February 1 of each year for the following fiscal year.
- 3 Budget.** Changes the council budget year from a calendar year to the state fiscal year. Requires the council to submit its proposed budget to the legislature by January 15 for the next fiscal year. Prohibits the council from adopting a final budget until a law is enacted authorizing it. Provides that if a law is not enacted, the council can continue at its previous level.
- 4 Capital improvement program; budget.** Related to the previous section, requires the legislature to enact a law authorizing the council's capital budget before the council adopts it.
- 5 Metropolitan Council; transitional budget.** Provides for the council's transition to the state fiscal year.
- 6 Application.**