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Overview

This bill establishes the Minnesota Youth Council Committee.

Section

1 Minnesota Youth Council Committee. Creates § 16F.01.

Subd. 1. Establishment and membership. Establishes a committee comprised of four members from each congressional district in Minnesota and four at large members. Requires members to be between the ages of 13 and 19. Provides that members must be selected through an application and interview process conducted by the Minnesota Alliance With Youth.

Subd. 2. Duties. Requires the committee to provide advice and recommendations to the governor and legislature on issues affecting youth, to serve as liaison between youth and the governor and legislature, and to submit an annual report on the committee's activities.

Subd. 3. Partnerships. Requires the committee to work with nonprofits, the private sector, and education resources to fulfill its duties.

Subd. 4. Youth Council Committee in the legislature. Paragraph (a) requires the committee to meet at least twice each year during the regular legislative session.

Paragraph (b) allows the committee to select introduced bills for a public hearing before the committee, propose legislation, provide advisory opinions to the legislature on bills heard before the committee, and prepare a youth omnibus bill.

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Paragraph (c) requires leaders of the majority and minority caucuses in both legislative bodies to each appoint a member to serve as a legislative liaison to the committee. Allows each legislative body, on rotating years, to appoint a staff member to staff the committee.