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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill appropriates money to establish a child care professional development pilot project and repeals Minnesota Statutes, § 119B.09, subd. 9a.

#### Section

- 1** **Child care centers; assistance.** Delays implementation by two years a provision on limiting child care assistance funds based on the proportion of children served by a child care provider who are children of – or in the same house hold as – employees of the provider.
- 2** **Child care professional development pilot project; appropriation.** Appropriates an unspecified amount in fiscal year 2015 to the commissioner of human services to award a contract to the Child Care Resource and Referral Network to establish a pilot project for increasing the availability of culturally competent child care in at least four child care centers that serve new Americans. Defines “culturally competent.” Specifies the design of the program. Requires activities to be carried out in coordination with other existing supports for professional development of child care workers. Requires the commissioner to evaluate the pilot project and to present a report to the legislature by February 15, 2017. Requires the report to contain recommendations on the feasibility of establishing a statewide apprenticeship program for training child care workers.
- 3** **Direction to commissioner.** Directs the commissioner of human services to contract for analysis and evaluation new Americans child care center models. Requires a legislative report by January 15, 2016.