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Overview

Converts the Metropolitan Council to a state fiscal year budget from a calendar year budget and requires annual enactment of a state law approving the council's budget for its proposed budget to take effect. If no law is enacted, the previously approved budget remains in effect.

Section

- 1 **Meetings; procedures.** Requires the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government to meet at least once per calendar year.
- 2 **Powers; duties; Metropolitan Council levy, budget oversight.** Requires the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government to report to the legislature by February 1 of each year its recommendations on the Metropolitan Council's finances for the following fiscal year.
- 3 **Budget.** Directs the Metropolitan Council to prepare a proposed budget for legislative review and approval. Prohibits the council from adopting or implementing the proposed budget until a law is enacted that approves it. Provides that if no law is enacted, the council may continue operating at the same level as the previously approved budget. Provides that the council's budget year is a fiscal year instead of a calendar year.
Effective August 1, 2015 for budgets beginning in fiscal year 2018 and after.
- 4 **Metropolitan Council; transitional budget.** Provides for transition to the fiscal year.