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Overview

This bill directs the commissioner of health to convene an older adult social isolation working group, which must study and make recommendations on the impact of social isolation on persons over age 55 in Minnesota.

Section

1 Older adult social isolation working group. Directs the commissioner of health to convene an older adult social isolation working group.

Subd. 1. Establishment; members. Specifies membership in the older adult social isolation working group, and limits its size to no more than 35 members.

Subd. 2. Duties; recommendations. Directs the working group to assess the current and future impact of social isolation on persons over age 55, and requires the group to make recommendations to the governor and the members of the health and human services committees in the legislature on the listed issues.

Subd. 3. Meetings. Requires the working group to hold at least four public meetings between August 10, 2018, and December 10, 2018, and to use technology to reach interested persons throughout the state.

Subd. 4. Report. Directs the commissioner of health to submit a report and the working group's recommendations to the governor and the members of the health and human services committees in the legislature no later than January 14, 2019.

Subd. 5. Sunset. Sunsets the working group upon delivery of the required report.

Section

- 2** **Appropriation.** Appropriates \$75,000 in fiscal year 2019 from the general fund to the commissioner of health for a facilitator for the working group, printing and duplicating costs, and meeting management costs.