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## Overview

This bill extends the Alzheimer's Disease Working Group and lays out the membership, duties, and meeting requirements of the working group.

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#### **1 Alzheimer's Disease Working Group.** Creates § 256.999.

**Subd. 1. Establishment; members.** Requires the Minnesota Board on Aging to appoint an Alzheimer's disease working group consisting of no more than 20 members. Lists the organizations that must be represented on the working group. Requires the appointing authorities to complete their appointments no later than July 15, 2017.

**Subd. 2. Duties; recommendations.** Requires the working group to review and revise the 2011 report titled "Preparing Minnesota for Alzheimer's: the Budgetary, Social and Personal Impacts." Requires the working group to consider and make recommendations and findings on several issues, including:

- trends and disparities in the state's Alzheimer's population;
- risk reduction, including health education and health promotion on risk factors, safety, and potentially avoidable hospitalizations;
- home and community-based care versus residential care, including research efforts; and

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- financing long-term care, including Medicare, Medicaid, and long-term care insurance.

**Subd. 3. Meetings.** Requires the Board on Aging to convene the first meeting of the working group no later than July 15, 2017. Requires meetings of the working group to be open to the public, and to the extent practicable, technological means, such as Web casts, must be used to reach the greatest number of people throughout the state. Requires the members of the working group to select a chair from their membership at their first meeting. Requires the working group to meet at least once every four years.

**Subd. 4. Report.** Requires the Board on Aging to submit a report providing the findings and recommendations of the working group to the governor and the legislature no later than January 15, 2018, and to provide an updated report every four years thereafter.