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## Summary

This bill would add two members to the Food Safety and Defense Task Force. These new members would be knowledgeable in cybersecurity, with one appointed by the University of Minnesota and the other appointed by the governor.

Established by the legislature in 2007, the Food Safety and Defense Task Force is charged with advising the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) and the legislature regarding food safety and defense issues. MDA provides administrative support to the Task Force. Currently there are 16 members, of which nine are appointed by the governor and serve four-year terms. All members must serve without compensation.