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NINETY-SECOND SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Civil Law and Data Practices Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to family law; establishing a child custody dispute harm prevention working  
1.3 group; requiring the state court administrator to implement a training program;  
1.4 requiring a report; appropriating money.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **CHILD CUSTODY DISPUTE HARM PREVENTION WORKING**  
1.7 **GROUP; TRAINING.**

1.8 (a) The state court administrator shall convene a working group to develop a training  
1.9 curriculum for law enforcement officers, family court judges and staff, and mental health  
1.10 professionals to identify and prevent harm to a child during or following a child custody  
1.11 dispute. The curriculum must include the expertise of forensic psychologists.

1.12 (b) The working group shall, at a minimum, include the following members: the  
1.13 commissioner of human services or the commissioner's designee, a representative designated  
1.14 by the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association, a district court judge representative  
1.15 designated by the state court administrator, and a representative from the Center for Advanced  
1.16 Studies in Child Welfare designated by the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota.

1.17 (c) The working group shall develop a training curriculum and submit a written report  
1.18 describing the training curriculum to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
1.19 legislative committees with jurisdiction over public safety and child welfare by February  
1.20 15, 2023.

1.21 (d) The state court administrator shall implement the training curriculum developed by  
1.22 the working group by July 1, 2023.

2.1      Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; CHILD CUSTODY DISPUTE HARM PREVENTION**  
 2.2      **WORKING GROUP.**

2.3      \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2023 from the general fund to the state court  
 2.4      administrator to convene, administer, and implement the child custody dispute harm  
 2.5      prevention working group and the training program developed by the working group. This  
 2.6      appropriation does not cancel and is available until June 30, 2025.