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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a study of the early  
1.3 childhood education workforce.

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

1.5 Section 1. **EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION WORKFORCE STUDY;**  
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 \$255,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
1.8 of employment and economic development for a study on the early childhood education  
1.9 workforce in Minnesota. This study shall provide a consolidated source of up-to-date data  
1.10 on the makeup of the early childhood education workforce; wages, income, and benefits in  
1.11 the industry; and barriers to entering these careers or retaining workers in the field, along  
1.12 with information on any other relevant issues identified during the research process. It shall  
1.13 be completed within 18 months and the commissioner may contract with another organization  
1.14 to complete the study. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until December 30,  
1.15 2023.