Overview

This bill transfers the energy assistance program from the department of children, families, and learning to the department of economic security, provides requirements for the energy assistance program, and requires a report.

1  **Energy assistance program.** Requires the commissioner of economic security to establish policies and procedures to address the findings in the evaluation of Minnesota's energy assistance program published in December 1999. Requires the commissioner to develop outcome measures to evaluate subgrantee performance and the program as a whole, identify the eligible population for the energy assistance program, procedures to improve program consistency, and improved internal management practices. Requires the commissioner to submit proposals for the utilization of technology and to provide for the most cost-effective service delivery.

2  **Report.** Requires the commissioner to submit a report to the senate jobs, energy and community development committee and the house jobs and economic development policy committee by January 30, 2001 detailing the costs and benefits of operating the energy assistance program.

3  **Transfer of energy assistance and weatherization responsibilities.** Transfers the energy assistance and weatherization programs from the department of children, families, and learning to the department of economic security.

4  **Instruction to revisor.** Instructs the revisor of statutes to renumber certain sections of the Minnesota Statutes dealing with the energy assistance and weatherization programs and to make the necessary cross-reference changes consistent with the renumbering.

5  **Effective date.** Makes sections 1 to 4 effective the day following final enactment.