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## Summary

This bill would repeal the Legislative COVID-19 Response Commission. The commission consists of the leaders and certain other members of the majority and minority caucuses in the House of Representatives and the Senate.

The legislature established this joint commission in 2020 to review proposed expenditures from the COVID-19 Minnesota fund intended to (1) protect Minnesota citizens from the COVID-19 outbreak, and (2) maintain state government operations during the peacetime emergency declared by Governor Tim Walz (Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 7). The COVID-19 Minnesota fund has since expired.

The legislature terminated the COVID-19 peacetime emergency effective July 1, 2021, at 11:59 PM (Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 12, article 2, section 23).

In 2022, the legislature revived the commission to review proposed expenditures from a new, onetime appropriation for COVID-19 testing, vaccinations, outbreak management, local and Tribal health, public education, and health system supports (Laws 2022, chapter 50, article 3).

According to the Legislative Coordinating Commission, the Legislative COVID-19 Response Commission is no longer active.