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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Job Growth and Energy Affordability Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to workforce development; providing employment services to persons  
1.3 with traumatic brain injuries; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota  
1.4 Statutes, chapter 268A.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[268A.131] EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH**  
1.7 **TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES.**

1.8 The commissioner of employment and economic development, in cooperation with  
1.9 the commissioner of human services, shall provide employment services for persons with  
1.10 traumatic brain injuries. The commissioner must: (1) assist persons with traumatic brain  
1.11 injuries in obtaining and retaining competitive employment; (2) emphasize individual  
1.12 client preferences; (3) ensure interagency collaboration at the local level between  
1.13 vocational rehabilitation field offices, workforce centers, county service agencies, and  
1.14 community rehabilitation providers in assisting clients; (4) provide benefits counseling; (5)  
1.15 conduct rapid job search; and (6) involve clients in the planning, development, oversight,  
1.16 and delivery of employment and support services. Notwithstanding any other law to the  
1.17 contrary, services provided under this section shall be provided at no cost to the individual.