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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. 1843

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to mental health; providing medical assistance coverage for mental
1.3 health consultation with primary care practitioners; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2012, section 256B.0625, subdivision 48.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 256B.0625, subdivision 48, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 48. **Psychiatric Mental health consultation to primary care practitioners.**
1.9 ~~Effective January 1, 2006,~~ Medical assistance covers consultation provided by a
1.10 ~~psychiatrist~~ licensed mental health professional as defined in section 245.462, subdivision
1.11 18, clauses (1) to (6), or section 245.4871, subdivision 27, clauses (1) to (6), via telephone,
1.12 e-mail, facsimile, or other means of communication to primary care practitioners,
1.13 including pediatricians. The need for consultation and the receipt of the consultation
1.14 must be documented in the patient record maintained by the primary care practitioner. If
1.15 the patient consents, and subject to federal limitations and data privacy provisions, the
1.16 consultation may be provided without the patient present.