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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 2715

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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 health; requiring transparency in hospital billing within a certain time;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 144.586, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 144.586, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.6 to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. Price transparency. Each hospital, including hospitals designated as critical  
1.8 access hospitals, must disclose to each discharged patient within a week of discharge an  
1.9 itemized description of billed charges for medical services and goods the patient received  
1.10 during the hospital stay. The itemized description of billed charges may not use terms that  
1.11 are indecipherable or are described as "miscellaneous charges" or "supply charges." The  
1.12 hospital may not add a processing charge for the itemized billing.