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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **565**

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

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to human services; modifying electronic benefit card prohibited purchases;
- 1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 256.987, subdivision 2.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 256.987, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- 1.6 Subd. 2. **Prohibited purchases.** (a) An individual with an EBT card issued for one of
- 1.7 the programs listed under subdivision 1 is prohibited from using the EBT debit card to
- 1.8 purchase;
- 1.9 (1) tobacco products and;
- 1.10 (2) alcoholic beverages, as defined in section 340A.101, subdivision 2;
- 1.11 (3) lawful gambling devices including bingo cards and sheets, paper and electronic
- 1.12 pull-tabs, jar tickets, paddle tickets and hard cards, tipboards and tipboard tickets, promotional
- 1.13 tickets that mimic a pull-tab or tipboard, and raffle tickets; and
- 1.14 (4) lottery tickets as defined in section 349A.01, subdivision 12.
- 1.15 (b) Any prohibited purchases made under this subdivision shall constitute unlawful use
- 1.16 and result in disqualification of the cardholder from the program as provided in subdivision
- 1.17 4.