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H. F. No. 2140

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

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to
1.3 establish a Web application to compare prescription drug prices; requiring a
1.4 report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256.01,
1.5 by adding a subdivision.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256.01, is amended by adding a
1.8 subdivision to read:

1.9 Subd. 41. **Prescription drug price comparison.** The commissioner shall establish,
1.10 on the agency's Web site, an online, interactive application that allows consumers to
1.11 compare local pharmacy prices for the most commonly filled prescription drugs. The
1.12 application must include the usual and customary prices for prescription drugs paid by
1.13 consumers without prescription drug coverage, based on regularly updated medical
1.14 assistance claims information and prices directly reported and updated by pharmacies
1.15 located in Minnesota and border cities. The application must allow consumers to search
1.16 for prescription drug prices by drug name and class, and by city, county, and zip code.

1.17 Sec. 2. **REPORTING ON HEALTH CARE COSTS AND SERVICE VOLUME.**

1.18 \$..... in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
1.19 of health to contract with Minnesota Community Measurement. The contract shall require
1.20 Minnesota Community Measurement to increase the number of procedures, tests, and
1.21 services for which average cost information is collected from clinics, medical groups, and
1.22 hospitals and made available to the public on the organization's Web site. The contract
1.23 must also require that Minnesota Community Measurement make available to the public
1.24 on the organization's Web site the volume of procedures, tests, and services provided at

- 2.1 clinics, medical groups, and hospitals for those procedures, tests, and services for which
- 2.2 service volume is related to the quality of care.