

A bill for an act

relating to human services; allowing certain firefighters and volunteer ambulance attendants to purchase MinnesotaCare coverage at full cost; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256L.07, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256L.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. **Firefighters; volunteer ambulance attendants.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "qualified individual" means:

(1) a volunteer firefighter with a department as defined in section 299N.01, subdivision 2, who has passed the probationary period; and

(2) a volunteer ambulance attendant as defined in section 144E.001, subdivision 15.

(b) A qualified individual who documents to the satisfaction of the commissioner, status as a qualified individual, by completing and submitting a one-page form developed by the commissioner, is eligible for MinnesotaCare without meeting other eligibility requirements of this chapter, but must pay the maximum premium, as defined in section 256L.15, subdivision 2, paragraph (b).