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relating to insurance; modifying commissioner of health authority over insurance 1 2 holding company systems; modifying Medicare supplement benefits; modifying 1.3 provisions governing renewability and discontinuation of health plans; modifying 1.4 reporting requirements related to the 340B drug program; modifying uniform 1.5 explanation of benefits specifications; requiring public posting of information 1.6 relating to prescription drug prices; requiring pharmacy benefit managers to submit 1.7 prescription drug fee information to the commissioner of health; amending 1.8 Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.7191, subdivision 4; 60D.15, subdivision 3; 1.9 60D.21, subdivisions 1, 3; 60D.23; 62A.31, subdivisions 1r, 1w; 62A.65, 1.10 subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 62D.12, subdivisions 2, 2a; 62D.121, 1.11 subdivision 1; 62D.221, subdivision 1; 62J.461, subdivisions 3, 4, 5; 62J.51, 1.12 subdivision 19a; 62J.581; 62J.84, subdivisions 2, 3, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15; 1.13 62K.10, subdivisions 2, 5, 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, 1.14 subdivision 3. 1.15

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.7191, subdivision 4, is amended to read: 1.17
- Subd. 4. Insurance holding company systems; various insurance data. Disclosure 1.18 1.19 of information obtained by the commissioner of commerce or health under section 60D.18, 60D.19, or 60D.20 is governed by section 60D.22. 1.20
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 1.21
- Subd. 3. Commissioner. The term "commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce 1.22 or, for the purposes of regulating health maintenance organizations, the commissioner of 1.23 health, the relevant commissioner's deputies, or the Commerce or Health Department, as 1.24 appropriate. 1.25

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.21, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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Subdivision 1. Power of commissioner. Subject to the limitation contained in this section and in addition to the powers that the commissioner has under chapter 60A or this chapter relating to the examination of insurers, the commissioner shall also have the power to examine an insurer registered under section 60D.19 and its affiliates to ascertain the financial condition of the insurer, including the enterprise risk to the insurer by the ultimate controlling party, or by an entity or combination of entities within the insurance holding company system, or by the insurance holding company system on a consolidated basis.

- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.21, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Expenses. Each registered insurer producing for examination records, books, 2.10 and papers pursuant to subdivision 1 is liable for and shall pay the expense of the examination 2.11 in accordance with section 60A.03 or 62D.14. 2.12
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.23, is amended to read: 2.13
- **60D.23 RULES.** 2.14
- Subdivision 1. Commissioner of commerce. The commissioner of commerce may 2.15 adopt the rules and orders that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter. 2.16
 - Subd. 2. Commissioner of health. The commissioner of health may adopt rules and orders that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter as they relate to health maintenance organizations. Health maintenance organizations are subject to and must comply with the provisions of Minnesota Rules, chapter 2720, applicable to insurers, unless the commissioner of health adopts rules for health maintenance organizations under this subdivision.
- Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62A.31, subdivision 1r, is amended to read: 2.23
 - Subd. 1r. Community rate. (a) Each health maintenance organization, health service plan corporation, insurer, or fraternal benefit society that sells Medicare-related coverage shall establish a separate community rate for that coverage. Beginning January 1, 1993, no Medicare-related coverage may be offered, issued, sold, or renewed to a Minnesota resident, except at the community rate required by this subdivision. The same community rate must apply to newly issued coverage and to renewal coverage.

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(b) For coverage that supplements Medicare and for the Part A rate calculation for plans governed by section 1833 of the federal Social Security Act, United States Code, title 42, section 1395, et seq., the community rate may take into account only the following factors:

- (1) actuarially valid differences in benefit designs or provider networks;
- (2) geographic variations in rates if preapproved by the commissioner of commerce;
 - (3) premium reductions in recognition of healthy lifestyle behaviors, including but not limited to, refraining from the use of tobacco. Premium reductions must be actuarially valid and must relate only to those healthy lifestyle behaviors that have a proven positive impact on health. Factors used by the health carrier making this premium reduction must be filed with and approved by the commissioner of commerce-; and
 - (4) premium increases in recognition of late enrollment or reenrollment. A premium increase of ten percent must be applied as a flat percentage of premium for an individual who (i) enrolls in a Medicare supplement policy outside of the individual's initial enrollment period in Medicare Part B, and (ii) is not eligible for a guaranteed issue period under subdivision 1u.
 - (c) For insureds not residing in Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, or Washington County, a health plan may, at the option of the health carrier, phase in compliance under the following timetable:
 - (i) (1) a premium adjustment as of March 1, 1993, that consists of one-half of the difference between the community rate that would be applicable to the person as of March 1, 1993, and the premium rate that would be applicable to the person as of March 1, 1993, under the rate schedule permitted on December 31, 1992. A health plan may, at the option of the health carrier, implement the entire premium difference described in this clause for any person as of March 1, 1993, if the premium difference would be 15 percent or less of the premium rate that would be applicable to the person as of March 1, 1993, under the rate schedule permitted on December 31, 1992, if the health plan does so uniformly regardless of whether the premium difference causes premiums to rise or to fall. The premium difference described in this clause is in addition to any premium adjustment attributable to medical cost inflation or any other lawful factor and is intended to describe only the premium difference attributable to the transition to the community rate; and
 - (ii) (2) with respect to any person whose premium adjustment was constrained under clause (i) (1), a premium adjustment as of January 1, 1994, that consists of the remaining

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SF2477 RSI REVISOR S2477-1 1st Engrossment one-half of the premium difference attributable to the transition to the community rate, as 4.1 described in clause (i) (1). 4.2 (d) A health plan that initially follows the phase-in timetable may at any subsequent 4.3 time comply on a more rapid timetable. A health plan that is in full compliance as of January 4.4 1, 1993, may not use the phase-in timetable and must remain in full compliance. Health 4.5 plans that follow the phase-in timetable must charge the same premium rate for newly issued 4.6 coverage that they charge for renewal coverage. A health plan whose premiums are 4.7 constrained by paragraph (c), clause (i) (1), may take the constraint into account in 4.8 establishing its community rate. 4.9 4.10 (e) From January 1, 1993 to February 28, 1993, a health plan may, at the health carrier's option, charge the community rate under this paragraph or may instead charge premiums 4.11 permitted as of December 31, 1992. 4.12 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62A.31, subdivision 1w, is amended to read: 4.13 Subd. 1w. Open enrollment. A medicare supplement policy or certificate must not be 4.14 sold or issued to an eligible individual outside of the time periods described in subdivision 4.15 subdivisions 1h and 1u. 4.16

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62A.65, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** No health carrier, as defined in section 62A.011, shall offer, sell, issue, or renew any individual health plan, as defined in section 62A.011, to a Minnesota resident except in compliance with this section. This section does not apply to the Comprehensive Health Association established in section 62E.10.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62A.65, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Guaranteed renewal.** No individual health plan may be offered, sold, issued, or renewed to a Minnesota resident unless the health plan provides that the plan is guaranteed renewable at a premium rate that does not take into account the claims experience or any change in the health status of any covered person that occurred after the initial issuance of the health plan to the person. The premium rate upon renewal must also otherwise comply with this section. A health carrier must not refuse is prohibited from refusing to renew an a Minnesota resident's individual health plan, except for nonpayment of premiums, fraud, or misrepresentation. unless:

(1) the enrollee has failed to pay premiums in accordance with the health plan's terms, including any timeliness requirements;

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	(2) the enrollee has performed an act or practice that constitutes fraud or made an
! <u>i</u>	ntentional misrepresentation of material fact under the health plan's terms;
}	(3) the enrollee no longer lives in the area where the issuer is authorized to operate;
ŀ	(4) a health carrier discontinues an individual health plan as provided under subdivision
4	<u>2a; or</u>
	(5) a health carrier discontinues issuing new individual health plans and refuses to renew
<u> </u>	all of the health carrier's existing individual health plans issued in Minnesota as provided
1	under subdivision 8.
	Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62A.65, is amended by adding a subdivision to
1	read:
	Subd. 2a. Discontinuing individual health plan. (a) In order to discontinue a particular
1	ype of individual health plan in Minnesota for purposes of subdivision 2, clause (4), a health
(carrier must:
	(1) provide written notice to the commissioner that approves the individual health plan's
1	policy forms and filings, in the form and manner approved by the commissioner, regarding
1	the health carrier's intent to discontinue a particular type of individual health plan in
1	Minnesota. The notice must be provided no later than May 1 of the year before the date the
<u>i</u>	ndividual health plan intends to discontinue the particular type of individual health plan;
	(2) provide written notice to each individual enrolled in the individual health plan no
1	ater than 90 days before the date the coverage is discontinued;
	(3) offer each individual covered by the individual health plan that the health carrier
1	ntends to discontinue the option to purchase on a guaranteed-issue basis any other individual
1	nealth plan currently offered by the health carrier for individuals in that market; and
	(4) act uniformly without regard to any factor relating to the health status factor of
(covered individuals or dependents of covered individuals who may become eligible for
(coverage.
	(b) The commissioner may disapprove a health carrier discontinuing a particular type
(of individual health plan within 60 days after receiving notice under paragraph (a) if the
(commissioner determines discontinuing the plan is not in Minnesota policyholders' best
i	nterest. When making the determination under this paragraph, the commissioner may
_	consider the size of plan enrollment, the availability of comparable individual health plan

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- (c) A health carrier may appeal the commissioner's determination under paragraph (b) to disapprove the health carrier's plan to discontinue a particular type of individual health plan in Minnesota. An appeal under this paragraph is subject to the contested case procedures under chapter 14 and must be made within 30 days of the date the commissioner makes a written determination under paragraph (b).
- Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62D.12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 2. Coverage cancellation; nonrenewal. No health maintenance organization may cancel or fail to renew the coverage of an enrollee except for (1) failure to pay the charge for health care coverage; (2) termination of the health care plan subject to section 62A.65, subdivisions 2 and 2a; (3) termination of the group plan; (4) enrollee moving out of the area served, subject to section 62A.17, subdivisions 1 and 6, and section 62D.104; (5) enrollee moving out of an eligible group, subject to section 62A.17, subdivisions 1 and 6, and section 62D.104; (6) failure to make co-payments required by pay premiums as provided by the terms of the health care plan, including timeliness requirements; (7) fraud or misrepresentation by the enrollee with respect to eligibility for coverage or any other material fact; or (8) other reasons established in rules promulgated by the commissioner of health.
- Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62D.12, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2a. Cancellation or nonrenewal notice. Enrollees shall be given 30 days' notice of any cancellation or nonrenewal, except that: (1) enrollees in a plan terminated under section 62A.65, subdivision 2, clause (4), and 2a, must receive the 90 days' notice required under section 62A.65, subdivision 2a, paragraph (a), clause (2); and (2) enrollees who are eligible to receive replacement coverage under section 62D.121, subdivision 1, shall receive 90 days' notice as provided under section 62D.121, subdivision 5.
- Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62D.121, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
 - Subdivision 1. Replacement coverage. When membership of an enrollee who has individual health coverage is terminated by the health maintenance organization for a reason other than (a) failure to pay the charge for health care coverage; (b) failure to make co-payments required by pay premiums as provided by the terms of the health care plan, including timeliness requirements; (c) enrollee moving out of the area served; or (d) a materially false statement or misrepresentation by the enrollee in the application for

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Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62D.221, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 7.4

Subdivision 1. Insurance provisions applicable to health maintenance organizations. Health maintenance organizations are subject to sections 60A.135, 60A.136, 60A.137, 60A.16, and 60A.161, 60D.17, 60D.18, and 60D.20 and must comply with the provisions of these sections applicable to insurers. In applying these sections to health maintenance organizations, "commissioner" means the commissioner of health. Health maintenance organizations are subject to Minnesota Rules, chapter 2720, as applicable to sections 60D.17, 60D.18, and 60D.20, and must comply with the provisions of chapter 2720 applicable to insurers, unless the commissioner of health adopts rules to implement this subdivision.

- Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.461, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Reporting by covered entities to the commissioner. (a) Each 340B covered 7.15 entity shall report to the commissioner by April 1 of each year the following information 7.16 for transactions conducted by the 340B covered entity or on its behalf, and related to its 7.17 participation in the federal 340B program for the previous calendar year: 7.18
- (1) the aggregated acquisition cost for prescription drugs obtained under the 340B 7.19 program; 7.20
 - (2) the aggregated payment amount received for drugs obtained under the 340B program and dispensed or administered to patients;
 - (i) that are net of the contracted price for insurance claims payments; and
- (ii) that reflect the portion of payment received from grants, cash, or other payment types 7.24 that relate to the dispensing or administering of drugs obtained under the 340B program; 7.25
- 7.26 (3) the number of pricing units dispensed or administered for prescription drugs described in clause (2); and 7.27
- (4) the aggregated payments made: 7.28
- (i) to contract pharmacies to dispense drugs obtained under the 340B program; 7.29
- 7.30 (ii) to any other entity that is not the covered entity and is not a contract pharmacy for managing any aspect of the covered entity's 340B program; and 7.31

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8.1	(iii) for all other internal, direct expenses related to administering the 340B program
8.2	with a detailed description of the direct costs included.
8.3	The information under clauses (2) and (3) must be reported by payer type, including but
8.4	not limited to commercial insurance, medical assistance, MinnesotaCare, and Medicare, in

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- (b) For covered entities that are hospitals, the information required under paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3), must also be reported at the national drug code level for the 50 most frequently dispensed or administered drugs by the facility under the 340B program.
- (c) Data submitted to the commissioner under paragraphs (a) and (b) are classified as nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9.
- Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.461, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 4. Enforcement and exceptions. (a) Any health care covered entity subject to reporting under this section that fails to provide data in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner is subject to the levy of a fine paid to the commissioner of up to \$500 for each day the data are past due. Any fine levied against the entity under this subdivision is subject to the contested case and judicial review provisions of sections 14.57 and to 14.69.
 - (b) The commissioner may grant an entity an extension of or exemption from the reporting obligations under this subdivision section, upon a showing of good cause by the entity.
- Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.461, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 5. Reports to the legislature. By November 15, 2024, and by November 15 of each year thereafter, the commissioner shall submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health care finance and policy, a report that aggregates the data submitted under subdivision 3, paragraphs (a) and (b). The following information must be included in the report For all 340B entities whose net 340B revenue constitutes a significant share, as determined by the commissioner, of all net 340B revenue across all 340B covered entities in Minnesota, the following information must also be included in the report:
 - (1) the information submitted under subdivision 2; and
- (2) for each 340B entity identified in subdivision 2, that entity's 340B net revenue as 8.29 calculated using the data submitted under subdivision 3, paragraph (a), with net revenue 8.30 being subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (2), less the sum of subdivision 3, paragraph (a), 8.31 clauses (1) and (4). 8.32

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For all other entities, the data in the report must be aggregated to the entity type or groupings of entity types in a manner that prevents the identification of an individual entity and any entity's specific data value reported for an individual data element.

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Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.51, subdivision 19a, is amended to read:

Subd. 19a. **Uniform explanation of benefits document.** "Uniform explanation of benefits document" means <u>either</u> the document associated with and explaining the details of a group purchaser's claim adjudication for services rendered <u>or its electronic equivalent</u> under section 62J.581, which is sent to a patient.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.581, is amended to read:

62J.581 STANDARDS FOR MINNESOTA UNIFORM HEALTH CARE REIMBURSEMENT DOCUMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Minnesota uniform remittance advice.** All group purchasers shall provide a uniform claim payment/advice transaction to health care providers when a claim is adjudicated. The uniform claim payment/advice transaction shall comply with section 62J.536, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), and rules adopted under section 62J.536, subdivision 2.

- Subd. 2. **Minnesota uniform explanation of benefits document.** (a) All group purchasers shall provide a uniform explanation of benefits document to health care patients when an explanation of benefits document is provided as otherwise required or permitted by law. The uniform explanation of benefits document shall comply with the standards prescribed in this section.
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), this section does not apply to group purchasers not included as covered entities under United States Code, title 42, sections 1320d to 1320d-8, as amended from time to time, and the regulations promulgated under those sections.
- Subd. 3. **Scope.** For purposes of sections 62J.50 to 62J.61, the uniform claim payment/advice transaction and uniform explanation of benefits document format specified in subdivision 4 shall apply to all health care services delivered by a health care provider or health care provider organization in Minnesota, regardless of the location of the payer. Health care services not paid on an individual claims basis, such as capitated payments, are not included in this section. A health plan company is excluded from the requirements in subdivisions 1 and subdivision 2 if they comply with section 62A.01, subdivisions 2 and 3.

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10.1	Subd. 4. Specifications. (a) The uniform explanation of benefits document shall be
10.2	provided by use of a paper document conforming to the specifications in this section or its
10.3	electronic equivalent under paragraph (b).
10.4	(b) Group purchasers may make the uniform explanation of benefits available in a version
10.5	that can be accessed by health care patients electronically if:
10.6	(1) the group purchaser making the uniform explanation of benefits available
10.7	electronically provides health care patients the ability to choose whether to receive paper,
10.8	electronic, or both paper and electronic versions of their uniform explanation of benefits;
10.9	(2) the group purchaser provides clear, readily accessible information and instructions
10.10	for the patient to communicate their choice; and
10.11	(3) health care patients not responding to the opportunity to make a choice will receive
10.12	at a minimum a paper uniform explanation of benefits.
10.13	(c) The commissioner, after consulting with the Administrative Uniformity Committee,
10.14	shall specify the data elements and definitions for the <u>paper</u> uniform explanation of benefits
10.15	document. The commissioner and the Administrative Uniformity Committee must consult
10.16	with the Minnesota Dental Association and Delta Dental Plan of Minnesota before requiring
10.17	under this section the use of a paper document for the uniform explanation of benefits
10.18	document or the uniform claim payment/advice transaction for dental care services. Any
10.19	electronic version of the uniform explanation of benefits must use the same data elements
10.20	and definitions as the paper uniform explanation of benefits.
10.21	Subd. 5. Effective date. The requirements in subdivisions 1 and 2 are effective June 30,
10.22	2007. The requirements in subdivisions 1 and 2 apply regardless of when the health care
10.23	service was provided to the patient.
10.24	Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
10.25	Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the terms defined in this subdivision
10.26	have the meanings given.
10.27	(b) "Biosimilar" means a drug that is produced or distributed pursuant to a biologics
10.28	license application approved under United States Code, title 42, section 262(K)(3).
10.29	(c) "Brand name drug" means a drug that is produced or distributed pursuant to:
10.30	(1) a new drug application approved under United States Code, title 21, section 355(c),
10.31	except for a generic drug as defined under Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section
10.32	447.502; or

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(2) a biologics license application approved under United States Code, title 42, section 11.1 262(a)(c). 11.2

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- (d) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.
- (e) "Generic drug" means a drug that is marketed or distributed pursuant to: 11.4
- 11.5 (1) an abbreviated new drug application approved under United States Code, title 21, section 355(j); 11.6
- 11.7 (2) an authorized generic as defined under Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 447.502; or 11.8
- 11.9 (3) a drug that entered the market the year before 1962 and was not originally marketed under a new drug application. 11.10
- (f) "Manufacturer" means a drug manufacturer licensed under section 151.252. 11.11
- (g) "New prescription drug" or "new drug" means a prescription drug approved for 11.12 marketing by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for which no previous 11.13 wholesale acquisition cost has been established for comparison. 11.14
- (h) "Patient assistance program" means a program that a manufacturer offers to the public 11.15 in which a consumer may reduce the consumer's out-of-pocket costs for prescription drugs 11.16 by using coupons, discount cards, prepaid gift cards, manufacturer debit cards, or by other 11.17 means. 11.18
- (i) "Prescription drug" or "drug" has the meaning provided in section 151.441, subdivision 11.19 8. 11.20
- (j) "Price" means the wholesale acquisition cost as defined in United States Code, title 11.21 42, section 1395w-3a(c)(6)(B). 11.22
- (k) "30-day supply" means the total daily dosage units of a prescription drug 11.23 recommended by the prescribing label approved by the FDA for 30 days. If the 11.24 FDA-approved prescribing label includes more than one recommended daily dosage, the 11.25 11.26 30-day supply is based on the maximum recommended daily dosage on the FDA-approved prescribing label. 11.27
- (l) "Course of treatment" means the total dosage of a single prescription for a prescription 11.28 drug recommended by the FDA-approved prescribing label. If the FDA-approved prescribing 11.29 label includes more than one recommended dosage for a single course of treatment, the 11.30 11.31 course of treatment is the maximum recommended dosage on the FDA-approved prescribing label. 11.32

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12.1	(m) "Drug product family" means a group of one or more prescription drugs that share
12.2	a unique generic drug description or nontrade name and dosage form.
12.3	(n) "Individual salable unit" means the smallest container of product introduced into
12.4	commerce by the manufacturer or repackager that is intended by the manufacturer or
12.5	repackager for individual sale to a dispenser.
12.6	(o) (n) "National drug code" means the three-segment code maintained by the federal
12.7	Food and Drug Administration that includes a labeler code, a product code, and a package
12.8	code for a drug product and that has been converted to an 11-digit format consisting of five
12.9	digits in the first segment, four digits in the second segment, and two digits in the third
12.10	segment. A three-segment code shall be considered converted to an 11-digit format when,
12.11	as necessary, at least one "0" has been added to the front of each segment containing less
12.12	than the specified number of digits such that each segment contains the specified number
12.13	of digits.
12.14	(p) (o) "Pharmacy" or "pharmacy provider" means a community/outpatient pharmacy
12.15	as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 6800.0100, subpart 2, that is also licensed as a pharmacy
12.16	by the Board of Pharmacy under section 151.19.
12.17	(q) (p) "Pharmacy benefit manager" or "PBM" means an entity licensed to act as a
12.17 12.18	(q) (p) "Pharmacy benefit manager" or "PBM" means an entity licensed to act as a pharmacy benefit manager under section 62W.03.
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entities, or both, other than a consumer or patient in the state.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 13.1 Subd. 3. Prescription drug price increases reporting. (a) Beginning January 1, 2022, 13.2 a drug manufacturer must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph 13.3 (b) for each prescription drug for which the price was \$100 or greater for a 30-day supply 13.4 or for a course of treatment lasting less than 30 days and: 13.5 (1) for brand name drugs where there is an increase of ten percent or greater in the price 13.6 over the previous 12-month period or an increase of 16 percent or greater in the price over 13.7 the previous 24-month period; and. 13.8 (2) for generic or biosimilar drugs where there is an increase of 50 percent or greater in 13.9 the price over the previous 12-month period. 13.10 (b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the manufacturer shall submit to 13.11 the commissioner no later than 60 days after the price increase goes into effect, in the form 13.12 and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable: 13.13 (1) the description and price of the drug and the net increase, expressed as a percentage, 13.14 with the following listed separately: 13.15 (i) the national drug code; 13.16 (ii) the product name; 13.17 (iii) the dosage form; 13.18 (iv) the strength; and 13.19 (v) the package size; 13.20 (2) the factors that contributed to the price increase; 13.21 (3) the name of any generic version of the prescription drug available on the market; 13.22 13.23 (4) the year the prescription drug was introduced for sale in the United States; (4) (5) the introductory price of the prescription drug when it was introduced for sale in 13.24 13.25 the United States and the price of the drug on the last day of each of the five calendar years preceding the price increase; 13.26 (5) (6) the direct costs incurred during the previous 12-month period by the manufacturer 13.27 that are associated with the prescription drug, listed separately: 13.28

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(i) to manufacture the prescription drug;

(ii) to market the prescription drug, including advertising costs; and

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shall post on the department's website, or may contract with a private entity or consortium

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that satisfies the standards of section 62U.04, subdivision 6, to meet this requirement, the following information:

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- (1) a list of the prescription drugs reported under subdivisions 3, 4, and 11 to 14 and the manufacturers of those prescription drugs; and
- (2) a list of reporting entities that reported prescription drug price information under subdivisions 3, 4, and 11 to 14; and
 - (2) (3) information reported to the commissioner under subdivisions 3, 4, and 11 to 14, aggregated on a per-drug basis in a manner that does not allow the identification of a reporting entity that is not the manufacturer of the drug.
 - (b) The information must be published in an easy-to-read format and in a manner that identifies the information that is disclosed on a per-drug basis and must not be aggregated in a manner that prevents the identification of the prescription drug.
 - (c) The commissioner shall not post to the department's website or a private entity contracting with the commissioner shall not post any information described in this section if the information is not public data under section 13.02, subdivision 8a; or is trade secret information under section 13.37, subdivision 1, paragraph (b); or is trade secret information pursuant to the Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016, United States Code, title 18, section 1836, as amended. If a reporting entity believes information should be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to this paragraph, the reporting entity must clearly and specifically identify that information and describe the legal basis in writing when the reporting entity submits the information under this section. If the commissioner disagrees with the reporting entity's request to withhold information from public disclosure, the commissioner shall provide the reporting entity written notice that the information will be publicly posted 30 days after the date of the notice.
 - (d) If the commissioner withholds any information from public disclosure pursuant to this subdivision, the commissioner shall post to the department's website a report describing the nature of the information and the commissioner's basis for withholding the information from disclosure.
 - (e) To the extent the information required to be posted under this subdivision is collected and made available to the public by another state, by the University of Minnesota, or through an online drug pricing reference and analytical tool, the commissioner may reference the availability of this drug price data from another source including, within existing appropriations, creating the ability of the public to access the data from the source for purposes of meeting the reporting requirements of this subdivision.

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Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

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- Subd. 10. Notice of prescription drugs of substantial public interest. (a) No later than January 31, 2024, and quarterly thereafter, the commissioner shall produce and post on the department's website a list of prescription drugs that the commissioner determines to represent a substantial public interest and for which the commissioner intends to request data under subdivisions 11 to 14, subject to paragraph (c). The commissioner shall base its inclusion of prescription drugs on any information the commissioner determines is relevant to providing greater consumer awareness of the factors contributing to the cost of prescription drugs in the state, and the commissioner shall consider drug product families that include prescription drugs:
 - (1) that triggered reporting under subdivision 3 or 4 during the previous calendar quarter;
- (2) for which average claims paid amounts exceeded 125 percent of the price as of the 16.12 claim incurred date during the most recent calendar quarter for which claims paid amounts 16.13 are available; or 16.14
- (3) that are identified by members of the public during a public comment process. 16.15
- (b) Not sooner than 30 days after publicly posting the list of prescription drugs under 16.16 paragraph (a), the department shall notify, via email, reporting entities registered with the 16.17 department of: 16.18
 - (1) the requirement to report under subdivisions 11 to 14-; and
- (2) the reporting period for which data must be provided. 16.20
- (c) The commissioner must not designate more than 500 prescription drugs as having a 16.21 substantial public interest in any one notice. 16.22
- (d) Notwithstanding subdivision 16, the commissioner is exempt from chapter 14, 16.23 including section 14.386, in implementing this subdivision. 16.24
- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 16.25
- Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 11, is amended to read: 16.26
- Subd. 11. Manufacturer prescription drug substantial public interest reporting. (a) 16.27 16.28 Beginning January 1, 2024, a manufacturer must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug: 16.29
- 16.30 (1) included in a notification to report issued to the manufacturer by the department under subdivision 10; 16.31

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(iii) to distribute the prescription drug;

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18.1	(6) (7) the number of units of the prescription drug sold during the 12-month period
18.2	prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report;
18.3	(7) (8) the total sales revenue for the prescription drug during the 12-month period prior
18.4	to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report;
18.5	(8) (9) the total rebate payable amount accrued for the prescription drug during the
18.6	12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report;
18.7	(9) (10) the manufacturer's net profit attributable to the prescription drug during the
18.8	12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report;
18.9	$\frac{(10)}{(11)}$ the total amount of financial assistance the manufacturer has provided through
18.10	patient prescription assistance programs during the 12-month period prior to the date of
18.11	reporting period specified in the notification to report, if applicable;
18.12	(11) (12) any agreement between a manufacturer and another entity contingent upon
18.13	any delay in offering to market a generic version of the prescription drug;
18.14	(12) (13) the patent expiration date of the prescription drug if the prescription drug is
18.15	under patent;
18.16	(13) (14) the name and location of the company that manufactured the drug;
18.17	(14) (15) if the prescription drug is a brand name prescription drug, the ten countries
18.18	other than the United States that paid the highest prices for the prescription drug during the
18.19	previous calendar year and their prices; and
18.20	(15) (16) if the prescription drug was acquired by the manufacturer within a 12-month
18.21	period prior to the date of the reporting period specified in the notification to report, all of
18.22	the following information:
18.23	(i) the price at acquisition;
18.24	(ii) the price in the calendar year prior to acquisition;
18.25	(iii) the name of the company from which the drug was acquired;
18.26	(iv) the date of acquisition; and
18.27	(v) the acquisition price.
18.28	(c) The manufacturer may submit any documentation necessary to support the information
18.29	reported under this subdivision.

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Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 12, is amended to read: 19.1 Subd. 12. Pharmacy prescription drug substantial public interest reporting. (a) 19.2 Beginning January 1, 2024, a pharmacy must submit to the commissioner the information 19.3 described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug: 19.4 19.5 (1) included in a notification to report issued to the pharmacy by the department under subdivision 10.; and 19.6 19.7 (2) that the pharmacy dispensed in Minnesota or mailed to a Minnesota address. (b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the pharmacy shall submit to the 19.8 commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, in the form 19.9 and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable: 19.10 (1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately: 19.11 (i) the national drug code; 19.12 (ii) the product name; 19.13 (iii) the dosage form; 19.14 (iv) the strength; and 19.15 (v) the package size; 19.16 (2) the number of units of the drug acquired during the 12-month period prior to the date 19.17 of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 19.18 (3) the total spent before rebates by the pharmacy to acquire the drug during the 12-month 19.19 period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 19.20 (4) the total rebate receivable amount accrued by the pharmacy for the drug during the 19.21 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 19.22 (5) the number of pricing units of the drug dispensed by the pharmacy during the 19.23 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 19.24 19.25 (6) the total payment receivable by the pharmacy for dispensing the drug including ingredient cost, dispensing fee, and administrative fees during the 12-month period prior 19.26 to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 19.27 (7) the total rebate payable amount accrued by the pharmacy for the drug during the 19.28 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 19.29 and 19.30

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20.1	(8) the average cash price paid by consumers per pricing unit for prescriptions dispensed
20.2	where no claim was submitted to a health care service plan or health insurer during the
20.3	12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report.
20.4	(c) The pharmacy may submit any documentation necessary to support the information
20.5	reported under this subdivision.
20.6	(d) The commissioner may grant extensions, exemptions, or both to compliance with
20.7	the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) by small or independent pharmacies, if compliance
20.8	with paragraphs (a) and (b) would represent a hardship or undue burden to the pharmacy.
20.9	The commissioner may establish procedures for small or independent pharmacies to request
20.10	extensions or exemptions under this paragraph.
20.11	Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 13, is amended to read:
20.12	Subd. 13. PBM prescription drug substantial public interest reporting. (a) Beginning
20.13	January 1, 2024, a PBM must submit to the commissioner the information described in
20.14	paragraph (b) for any prescription drug:
20.15	(1) included in a notification to report issued to the PBM by the department under
20.16	subdivision 10-; and
20.17	(2) for which the PBM fulfilled pharmacy benefit management duties for Minnesota
20.18	residents.
20.19	(b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the PBM shall submit to the
20.20	commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, in the form
20.21	and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable:
20.22	(1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately:
20.23	(i) the national drug code;
20.24	(ii) the product name;
20.25	(iii) the dosage form;
20.26	(iv) the strength; and
20.27	(v) the package size;
20.28	(2) the number of pricing units of the drug product filled for which the PBM administered
20.29	elaims during the 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the
20.30	notification to report;

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(3) the total reimbursement amount accrued and payable to pharmacies for pricing units 21.1 of the drug product filled for which the PBM administered claims during the 12-month 21.2 period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to report; 21.3 (4) the total reimbursement or administrative fee amount, or both, accrued and receivable 21.4 from payers for pricing units of the drug product filled for which the PBM administered 21.5 elaims during the 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the 21.6 notification to report; 21.7 (5) the total administrative fee amount accrued and receivable from payers for pricing 21.8 units of the drug product filled during the reporting period specified in the notification to 21.9 report; 21.10 (5) (6) the total rebate receivable amount accrued by the PBM for the drug product 21.11 during the 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification 21.12 to report; and 21.13 (6) (7) the total rebate payable amount accrued by the PBM for the drug product during 21.14 the 12-month period prior to the date of reporting period specified in the notification to 21.15 report. 21.16 (c) The PBM may submit any documentation necessary to support the information 21.17 reported under this subdivision. 21.18 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 14, is amended to read: 21.19 21.20 Subd. 14. Wholesale drug distributor prescription drug substantial public interest **reporting.** (a) Beginning January 1, 2024, a wholesale drug distributor that distributes 21.21 prescription drugs, for which it is not the manufacturer, to persons or entities, or both, other 21.22 than a consumer or patient in the state, must submit to the commissioner the information 21.23 described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug: 21.24 (1) included in a notification to report issued to the wholesale drug distributor by the 21.25 department under subdivision 10-; and 21.26 (2) that the wholesale drug distributor distributed within or into Minnesota. 21.27 (b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the wholesale drug distributor shall 21.28 submit to the commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, 21.29 in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if 21.30 21.31 applicable:

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(1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately:

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Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. Primary care; mental health services; general hospital services Time and distance standards. The maximum travel distance or time shall be the lesser of 30 miles or 30 minutes to the nearest provider of each of the following services: primary care services, mental health services, and general hospital services Health carriers must meet the time and distance standards under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, section 155.1050.

- Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. Waiver. (a) A health carrier may apply to the commissioner of health for a waiver of the requirements in subdivision 2 or 3 if it is unable to meet the statutory requirements. A waiver application must be submitted on a form provided by the commissioner, must be accompanied by an application fee of \$500 for each application to waive the requirements in subdivision 2 or 3 for one or more provider types per county, and must:
- (1) demonstrate with specific data that the requirement of subdivision 2 or 3 is not feasible in a particular service area or part of a service area; and
- (2) include specific information as to the steps that were and will be taken to address the network inadequacy, and, for steps that will be taken prospectively to address network inadequacy, the time frame within which those steps will be taken.
- (b) The commissioner shall establish guidelines for evaluating waiver applications, standards governing approval or denial of a waiver application, and standards for steps that health carriers must take to address the network inadequacy and allow the health carrier to meet network adequacy requirements within a reasonable time period. The commissioner shall review each waiver application using these guidelines and standards and shall approve a waiver application only if:
 - (1) the standards for approval established by the commissioner are satisfied; and
- (2) the steps that were and will be taken to address the network inadequacy and the time 23.26 frame for taking these steps satisfy the standards established by the commissioner. 23.27
 - (c) If, in its waiver application, a health carrier demonstrates to the commissioner that there are no providers of a specific type or specialty in a county, the commissioner may approve a waiver in which the health carrier is allowed to address network inadequacy in that county by providing for patient access to providers of that type or specialty via telehealth, as defined in section 62A.673, subdivision 2.

Sec. 30. 23 (d) The waiver shall automatically expire after one year. Upon or prior to expiration of a waiver, a health carrier unable to meet the requirements in subdivision 2 or 3 must submit a new waiver application under paragraph (a) and must also submit evidence of steps the carrier took to address the network inadequacy. When the commissioner reviews a waiver application for a network adequacy requirement which has been waived for the carrier for the most recent one-year period, the commissioner shall also examine the steps the carrier took during that one-year period to address network inadequacy, and shall only approve a subsequent waiver application that satisfies the requirements in paragraph (b), demonstrates that the carrier took the steps it proposed to address network inadequacy, and explains why the carrier continues to be unable to satisfy the requirements in subdivision 2 or 3.

- (e) Application fees collected under this subdivision shall be deposited in the state government special revenue fund in the state treasury.
- Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 6. **Referral centers.** Subdivisions Subdivision 2 and 3 shall not apply if an enrollee is referred to a referral center for health care services. A referral center is a medical facility that provides highly specialized medical care, including but not limited to organ transplants. A health carrier or preferred provider organization may consider the volume of services provided annually, case mix, and severity adjusted mortality and morbidity rates in designating a referral center.

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24.21 Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 3, is repealed.

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Subd. 3. **Other health services.** The maximum travel distance or time shall be the lesser of 60 miles or 60 minutes to the nearest provider of specialty physician services, ancillary services, specialized hospital services, and all other health services not listed in subdivision 2.