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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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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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A bill for an act

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relating to human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to

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establish a Web application to compare prescription drug prices; amending

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Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256.01, by adding a subdivision.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256.01, is amended by adding a

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subdivision to read:

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Subd. 40. **Prescription drug price comparison.** The commissioner shall establish,

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on the agency's Web site, an online, interactive application that allows consumers to

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compare local pharmacy prices for the most commonly filled prescription drugs. The

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application must include the usual and customary prices for prescription drugs paid by

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consumers without prescription drug coverage, based on regularly updated medical

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assistance claims information and prices directly reported and updated by pharmacies

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located in Minnesota and border cities. The application must allow consumers to search

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for prescription drug prices by drug name and class, and by city, county, and zip code.