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H. F. No. 287

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

Division Action

02/02/2021 Referred by Chair to the Behavioral Health Policy Division
02/03/2021 Returned to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy as Amended

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to
1.3 develop recommendations regarding sober housing programs; requiring a report.

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

1.5 Section 1. **DIRECTION TO THE COMMISSIONER; SOBER HOUSING PROGRAM**
1.6 **RECOMMENDATIONS.**

1.7 (a) The commissioner of human services, in consultation with stakeholders, must develop
1.8 recommendations on:

1.9 (1) increasing access to sober housing programs;

1.10 (2) promoting person-centered practices in sober housing programs;

1.11 (3) potential oversight of sober housing programs; and

1.12 (4) providing consumer protections for individuals in sober housing programs with
1.13 substance use disorders and individuals with co-occurring mental illnesses.

1.14 (b) Stakeholders include but are not limited to the Minnesota Association of Sober
1.15 Homes, the Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Health,
1.16 Minnesota Recovery Connection, NAMI Minnesota, and residents and former residents of
1.17 sober housing programs based in Minnesota.

1.18 (c) The commissioner must complete and submit a report on these recommendations to
1.19 the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
1.20 over health and human services policy and finance on or before March 1, 2022.