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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce
- 03/11/2019 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy
- 03/14/2019 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to health care; prohibiting health plan companies from removing coverage

1.3 of a particular brand of insulin or equipment and supplies during an enrollee's

1.4 contract year; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 62A.3093, by adding a

1.5 subdivision.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 62A.3093, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.8 to read:

1.9 Subd. 3. Coverage change. (a) A health carrier shall disclose, upon the request of an

1.10 enrollee or a prospective enrollee, the brand or brands of insulin and the equipment and

1.11 supplies for the treatment or management of diabetes covered under a health plan.

1.12 (b) A health carrier is prohibited from removing from coverage a particular brand of

1.13 insulin, equipment, or supplies described under subdivision 1 during an enrollee's contract

1.14 term. This paragraph does not apply if the particular brand is deemed unsafe or has been

1.15 withdrawn from the market by the product manufacturer.

1.16 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, "enrollee's contract term" means the 12-month term

1.17 during which benefits associated with a particular health plan are in effect for that enrollee

1.18 or a single calendar quarter for medical assistance and MinnesotaCare enrollees.