A bill for an act

relating to insurance; the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association; providing an exception for children to the association's six-month preexisting condition limitation; making a technical update; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 62E.14, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 62E.14, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Preexisting conditions.** No person who obtains coverage pursuant to this section shall be covered for any preexisting condition during the first six months of coverage under the state plan if the person was diagnosed or treated for that condition during the 90 days immediately preceding the date the application was received by the writing carrier, except as provided under subdivisions 3a, 4, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 4e, 4f, 5, 6, and 7 and section 62E.18.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 62E.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4f. **Waiver of preexisting conditions; children under age 18.** A Minnesota resident who is otherwise eligible and is under the age of 18 years as of the date of application, may enroll in the comprehensive health plan with a waiver of the preexisting condition limitation contained in subdivision 3.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.