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		Referred to Health, Human Services and Housing
04/04/2016		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance

A bill for an act
relating to health care; developing a pilot program to increase early preventive
dental intervention and care for infants and toddlers; appropriating money.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **EARLY DENTAL PREVENTION PILOT PROGRAM.**

(a) The commissioner of health shall develop and implement a pilot program to
increase awareness and encourage early preventive dental intervention for infants and
toddlers. The commissioner shall award grants to five designated communities of color
or recent immigrants to participate in the pilot program, with at least two designated
communities located in the nonmetropolitan area.

(b) The commissioner, in consultation with members of the designated communities,
shall distribute or cause to be distributed the educational materials and information
developed under Minnesota Statutes, section 144.061, to expectant and new parents within
the designated communities, including, but not limited to, making the materials available
to health care providers, community clinics, WIC sites, and other relevant sites within the
designated communities.

(c) The commissioner shall work with members of each designated community to
ensure that the educational materials and information are distributed. The commissioner
shall assist the designated community with developing strategies, including incentives
to encourage and provide early preventive dental intervention and care for infants and
toddlers.

(d) The commissioner shall develop measurable outcomes, establish a baseline
measurement, and evaluate performance within each designated community in order
to measure whether the educational materials, information, strategies, and incentives

2.1 increased the numbers of infants and toddlers receiving early preventive dental
2.2 intervention and care.

2.3 (e) By March 15, 2018, the commissioner shall submit a report to the chairs and
2.4 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health
2.5 care. The report shall describe:

2.6 (1) the details of the program;

2.7 (2) the communities designated for the program;

2.8 (3) the strategies, including any incentives implemented;

2.9 (4) the outcome measures used; and

2.10 (5) the results of the evaluation for each designated community.

2.11 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.12 \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2017 from the general fund to the commissioner
2.13 of health to implement the pilot program to increase awareness and encourage early
2.14 preventive dental intervention and care for infants and toddlers.