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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; directing commissioner of human services to develop
1.3 medical assistance TEFRA enrollment content; establishing stakeholder group on
1.4 the medical assistance TEFRA option; requiring a report.

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

1.6 Section 1. **DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES; TEFRA**
1.7 **OPTION IMPROVEMENT MEASURES.**

1.8 (a) The commissioner of human services shall, using existing appropriations, develop
1.9 content to be included on the MNsure website explaining the TEFRA option under medical
1.10 assistance for applicants who indicate during the application process that a child in the
1.11 family has a disability.

1.12 (b) The commissioner shall develop a cover letter explaining the TEFRA option under
1.13 medical assistance, as well as the application and renewal process, to be disseminated with
1.14 the DHS-6696A form to applicants who may qualify for medical assistance under the TEFRA
1.15 option. The commissioner shall provide the content and the form to the executive director
1.16 of MNsure for inclusion on the MNsure website. The commissioner shall also develop and
1.17 implement education and training for lead agency staff statewide to improve understanding
1.18 of the medical assistance TEFRA enrollment and renewal processes and procedures.

1.19 (c) The commissioner shall convene a stakeholder group that shall consider improvements
1.20 to the TEFRA option enrollment and renewal processes, including but not limited to revisions
1.21 to, or the development of, application and renewal paperwork specific to the TEFRA option;
1.22 possible technology solutions; and county processes.

2.1 (d) The stakeholder group must include representatives from the Department of Human
2.2 Services Health Care Division, MNsure, representatives from at least two counties in the
2.3 metropolitan area and from at least one county in greater Minnesota, the Arc Minnesota,
2.4 Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare, the Autism Society of Minnesota, Proof Alliance,
2.5 the Minnesota Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities, and other interested stakeholders
2.6 as identified by the commissioner of human services.

2.7 (e) The stakeholder group shall submit a report of the group's recommended
2.8 improvements and any associated costs to the commissioner by December 31, 2020. The
2.9 group shall also provide copies of the report to each stakeholder group member. The
2.10 commissioner shall provide a copy of the report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction
2.11 over medical assistance.