

A bill for an act  
relating to human services; creating chemical health pilot projects; requiring  
reports.

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

Section 1. **STATE-COUNTY CHEMICAL HEALTH CARE HOME PILOT  
PROJECT.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment; purpose.** There is established a state-county  
chemical health care home pilot project. The purpose of the pilot project is for the  
Department of Human Services and counties to work in partnership to redesign the current  
chemical health delivery system to promote greater accountability, productivity, and  
results in the delivery of state chemical dependency services. The pilot project must look  
to promote appropriate flexibility in a way that better aligns systems and services to offer  
the most appropriate level of chemical health care services to the client. This may include,  
but is not limited to, developing new governance agreements, performance agreements,  
or service level agreements. The pilot projects must maintain eligibility levels under the  
current programmatic entitlement structure, continue to meet the requirements of Rule 25  
(Minnesota Rules, parts 9530.6600 to 9530.6655) and Rule 31 (Minnesota Rules, parts  
9530.6405 to 9530.6505), and must not put at risk current and future federal funding  
toward chemical health-related services in Minnesota.

Subd. 2. **Work group.** A work group must be convened on or before July 1, 2009,  
consisting of representatives from the Department of Human Services and participating  
counties to develop final proposals for pilot projects meeting the requirements of this  
section. This work group must focus its efforts on the need for systems change, mandate  
and waiver relief, payment reform or other funding options, and outcomes. The work

2.1 group must report back to the legislative committees having jurisdiction over chemical  
2.2 health by January 15, 2010, for final approval of pilot projects to be implemented starting  
2.3 July 10, 2010.

2.4 Subd. 3. **Report.** The Department of Human Services shall report back to the  
2.5 legislative committees having jurisdiction over chemical health by January 15, 2011,  
2.6 evaluating the effectiveness of pilot projects, including recommendations for how to  
2.7 implement the pilot projects on a statewide basis.

2.8 Subd. 4. **Expiration.** These pilot projects expire June 30, 2012.

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