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H. F. No. 2585

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; increasing MinnesotaCare premiums; directing the  
1.3 commissioner of human services to seek federal waivers and approvals necessary  
1.4 to provide flexibility in the use of money in the state's basic health program trust  
1.5 fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256L.15, subdivision 2.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256L.15, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 2. **Sliding fee scale; monthly individual or family income.** (a) The commissioner  
1.9 shall establish a sliding fee scale to determine the percentage of monthly individual or family  
1.10 income that households at different income levels must pay to obtain coverage through the  
1.11 MinnesotaCare program. The sliding fee scale must be based on the enrollee's monthly  
1.12 individual or family income.

1.13 (b) Beginning ~~January 1, 2014~~ October 1, 2017, MinnesotaCare enrollees shall pay  
1.14 premiums according to the premium scale specified in paragraph (d).

1.15 (c) Paragraph (b) does not apply to:

1.16 (1) children 20 years of age or younger; and

1.17 (2) individuals with household incomes below 35 percent of the federal poverty  
1.18 guidelines.

1.19 (d) The following premium scale is established for each individual in the household who  
1.20 is 21 years of age or older and enrolled in MinnesotaCare:

1.21	<b>Federal Poverty Guideline</b>	<b>Less than</b>	<b>Individual Premium</b>
1.22	<b>Greater than or Equal to</b>		<b>Amount</b>

2.1			<u>\$4</u>
2.2	35%	55%	<u>\$5</u>
2.3			<u>\$6</u>
2.4	55%	80%	<u>\$7</u>
2.5			<u>\$8</u>
2.6	80%	90%	<u>\$11</u>
2.7			<u>\$10</u>
2.8	90%	100%	<u>\$12</u>
2.9			<u>\$12</u>
2.10	100%	110%	<u>\$13</u>
2.11			<u>\$14</u>
2.12	110%	120%	<u>\$15</u>
2.13			<u>\$15</u>
2.14	120%	130%	<u>\$16</u>
2.15			<u>\$16</u>
2.16	130%	140%	<u>\$18</u>
2.17			<u>\$25</u>
2.18	140%	150%	<u>\$32</u>
2.19			<u>\$29</u>
2.20	150%	160%	<u>\$40</u>
2.21			<u>\$33</u>
2.22	160%	170%	<u>\$48</u>
2.23			<u>\$38</u>
2.24	170%	180%	<u>\$56</u>
2.25			<u>\$43</u>
2.26	180%	190%	<u>\$65</u>
2.27			<u>\$50</u>
2.28	190%		<u>\$75</u>
2.29	<u>200%</u>		<u>\$85</u>

2.30 **Sec. 2. FEDERAL APPROVAL.**

2.31 The commissioner of human services shall request any federal waivers and approvals  
 2.32 necessary to allow the state to retain federal funds accruing in the state's basic health program  
 2.33 trust fund and expend those funds for purposes other than those specified in Code of Federal  
 2.34 Regulations, title 42, part 600.705. The commissioner shall report any federal action regarding  
 2.35 this request to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with  
 2.36 jurisdiction over health and human services policy and finance.

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