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

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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; establishing a grant program for screening and treatment for
1.3 maternal depression; establishing pilot projects to provide treatment for pregnant
1.4 and postpartum women with substance use disorders; proposing coding for new
1.5 law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 145; 254B.

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

1.7 Section 1. **[145.908] GRANT PROGRAM; SCREENING AND TREATMENT**
1.8 **FOR MATERNAL DEPRESSION.**

1.9 Subdivision 1. **Grant program established.** Within the limits of federal funds
1.10 available for this purpose, the commissioner of health shall establish a grant program to
1.11 provide culturally competent programs to screen and treat pregnant women and women
1.12 who have given birth in the preceding 12 months for maternal depression. Organizations
1.13 may use grant funds to establish new screening or treatment programs, or expand or
1.14 maintain existing screening or treatment programs. In establishing the grant program, the
1.15 commissioner shall prioritize expanding or enhancing screening for maternal depression
1.16 in primary care settings. The commissioner shall determine the types of organizations
1.17 eligible for grants.

1.18 Subd. 2. **Allowable uses of funds.** Grant funds awarded by the commissioner
1.19 under this section:

1.20 (1) must be used to provide health care providers with appropriate training and
1.21 relevant resources on maternal depression screening, treatment, follow-up support, and
1.22 links to community-based resources; and

1.23 (2) may be used to:

1.24 (i) enable health care providers to provide or receive psychiatric consultations to
1.25 treat eligible women for maternal depression;

- (ii) conduct a public awareness campaign;
- (iii) fund startup costs for phone lines, Web sites, and other resources to collect and disseminate information about screening and treatment for maternal depression; or
- (iv) establish connections between community-based resources.

Subd. 3. **Federal funds.** The commissioner shall apply for any available grant funds from the federal Department of Health and Human Services for this program.

Sec. 2. [254B.15] PILOT PROJECTS; TREATMENT FOR PREGNANT AND POSTPARTUM WOMEN WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER.

Subdivision 1. **Pilot projects established.** (a) Within the limits of federal funds available for this purpose, the commissioner of human services shall establish pilot projects to provide substance use disorder treatment and services to pregnant and postpartum women with a primary diagnosis of substance use disorder, including opioid use disorder. Pilot projects funded under this section must:

(1) promote flexible uses of funds to provide treatment and services to pregnant and postpartum women with substance use disorders;

(2) fund family-based treatment and services for pregnant and postpartum women with substance use disorders;

(3) identify gaps in services along the continuum of care that are provided to pregnant and postpartum women with substance use disorders; and

(4) encourage new approaches to service delivery and service delivery models.

(b) A pilot project funded under this section must provide at least a portion of its treatment and services to women who receive services on an outpatient basis.

Subd. 2. **Federal funds.** The commissioner shall apply for any available grant funds from the federal Center for Substance Abuse Treatment for these pilot projects.