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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

H. F. No. 573

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; modifying medical assistance coverage to include
1.3 consultations with licensed independent clinical social workers; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256B.0625, subdivision 48.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256B.0625, subdivision 48, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 48. **Psychiatric consultation to primary care practitioners.** Medical
1.9 assistance covers consultation provided by a psychiatrist, a psychologist, ~~or~~ an advanced
1.10 practice registered nurse certified in psychiatric mental health, or a licensed independent
1.11 clinical social worker via telephone, e-mail, facsimile, or other means of communication
1.12 to primary care practitioners, including pediatricians. The need for consultation and the
1.13 receipt of the consultation must be documented in the patient record maintained by the
1.14 primary care practitioner. If the patient consents, and subject to federal limitations and
1.15 data privacy provisions, the consultation may be provided without the patient present.