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A bill for an act

1.1 relating to health; changing a vital statistics provision; permitting the
1.2 commissioner of health to use the all-payer claims data to compile public use
1.3 files of summary data; classifying parent contact information used for registration
1.4 of birth as private data; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 13.3806,
1.5 subdivision 4; 62U.04, subdivision 11; 144.215, by adding a subdivision.
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1.7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 13.3806, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.9 Subd. 4. **Vital statistics.** (a) **Parents' Social Security number; birth record.**

1.10 Parents' Social Security numbers and certain contact information provided for a child's
1.11 birth record are classified under section 144.215, subdivision 4, or 4a.

1.12 (b) **Foundling registration.** The report of the finding of an infant of unknown
1.13 parentage is classified under section 144.216, subdivision 2.

1.14 (c) **New record of birth.** In circumstances in which a new record of birth may
1.15 be issued under section 144.218, the original record of birth is classified as provided
1.16 in that section.

1.17 (d) **Vital records.** Physical access to vital records is governed by section 144.225,
1.18 subdivision 1.

1.19 (e) **Birth record of child of unmarried parents.** Access to the birth record of a
1.20 child whose parents were not married to each other when the child was conceived or born
1.21 is governed by sections 144.225, subdivisions 2 and 4, and 257.73.

1.22 (f) **Health data for birth registration.** Health data collected for birth registration or
1.23 fetal death reporting are classified under section 144.225, subdivision 2a.

1.24 (g) **Birth record; sharing.** Sharing of birth record data and data prepared under
1.25 section 257.75, is governed by section 144.225, subdivision 2b.

2.1 (h) **Group purchaser identity for birth registration.** Classification of and access
2.2 to the identity of a group purchaser collected in association with birth registration is
2.3 governed by section 144.225, subdivision 6.

2.4 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 62U.04, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

2.5 Subd. 11. **Restricted uses of the all-payer claims data.** (a) Notwithstanding
2.6 subdivision 4, paragraph (b), and subdivision 5, paragraph (b), the commissioner or the
2.7 commissioner's designee shall only use the data submitted under subdivisions 4 and 5 for
2.8 the following purposes:

2.9 (1) to evaluate the performance of the health care home program as authorized under
2.10 sections 256B.0751, subdivision 6, and 256B.0752, subdivision 2;

2.11 (2) to study, in collaboration with the reducing avoidable readmissions effectively
2.12 (RARE) campaign, hospital readmission trends and rates;

2.13 (3) to analyze variations in health care costs, quality, utilization, and illness burden
2.14 based on geographical areas or populations; ~~and~~

2.15 (4) to evaluate the state innovation model (SIM) testing grant received by the
2.16 Departments of Health and Human Services, including the analysis of health care cost,
2.17 quality, and utilization baseline and trend information for targeted populations and
2.18 communities; and

2.19 (5) to compile one or more public use files of summary data or tables that must:

2.20 (i) be available to the public for no or minimal cost by January 1, 2016;

2.21 (ii) not identify individual patients, payers, or providers;

2.22 (iii) be updated by the commissioner, at least annually, with the most current data
2.23 available; and

2.24 (iv) contain clear and conspicuous explanations of the characteristics of the data,
2.25 such as the dates of the data contained in the files, the absence of costs of care for
2.26 uninsured patients or nonresidents, and other disclaimers that provide appropriate context.

2.27 (b) The commissioner may publish the results of the authorized uses identified
2.28 in paragraph (a) so long as the data released publicly do not contain information or
2.29 descriptions in which the identity of individual hospitals, clinics, or other providers may
2.30 be discerned.

2.31 (c) Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the commissioner from
2.32 using the data collected under subdivision 4 to complete the state-based risk adjustment
2.33 system assessment due to the legislature on October 1, 2015.

3.1 (d) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee may use the data submitted
3.2 under subdivisions 4 and 5 for the purpose described in paragraph (a), clause (3), until
3.3 July 1, 2016.

3.4 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 144.215, is amended by adding a subdivision
3.5 to read:

3.6 Subd. 4a. **Parent contact information.** The mailing address, residence address,
3.7 e-mail address, and telephone number of a parent provided in connection with the
3.8 registration of a birth or application for a birth certificate are private data on individuals,
3.9 provided that the data may be disclosed to a local, state, tribal, or federal government agency
3.10 to the extent that the data are necessary for the government agency to perform its duties.