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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Human Services Reform Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; modifying Northstar Care for Children agreement  
1.3 timeline; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256N.26, subdivision 9.  
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256N.26, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 9. **Revision.** (a) By April 1, 2016 2018, for fiscal year 2017, and by each  
1.7 succeeding April 1 for the subsequent fiscal year the July 1, 2018, through December 31,  
1.8 2019, period, the commissioner shall review and revise the rates under subdivisions 3 to 7  
1.9 6 based on the United States Department of Agriculture, Estimates of the Cost of Raising  
1.10 a Child, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Resources  
1.11 Service, Publication 1411. The revision shall be the average percentage by which costs  
1.12 increase for the age ranges represented in the United States Department of Agriculture,  
1.13 Estimates of the Cost of Raising a Child, except that in no instance must the increase be  
1.14 more than three percent per annum. The monthly rates must be revised to the nearest dollar  
1.15 and the daily rates to the nearest cent.

1.16 (b) By October 1, 2019, for calendar year 2020, the commissioner shall review and  
1.17 revise the rates under subdivisions 3 to 6 based on the United States Department of  
1.18 Agriculture, Estimates of the Cost of Raising a Child, published by the United States  
1.19 Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Resources Service, Publication 1411. The revision  
1.20 shall be one and one-half times the average percentage by which costs increase for the age  
1.21 ranges represented in the United States Department of Agriculture, Estimates of the Cost  
1.22 of Raising a Child, except that in no instance must the increase be more than four and

2.1 one-half percent per annum. The monthly rates must be revised to the nearest dollar and  
2.2 the daily rates to the nearest cent.

2.3 (c) By October 1, 2020, for calendar year 2021, and by each succeeding October 1 for  
2.4 the subsequent calendar year, the commissioner shall review and revise the rates under  
2.5 subdivisions 3 to 6 based on the United States Department of Agriculture, Estimates of the  
2.6 Cost of Raising a Child, published by the United States Department of Agriculture,  
2.7 Agricultural Resources Service, Publication 1411. The revision shall be the average  
2.8 percentage by which costs increase for the age ranges represented in the United States  
2.9 Department of Agriculture, Estimates of the Cost of Raising a Child, except that in no  
2.10 instance must the increase be more than three percent per annum. The monthly rates must  
2.11 be revised to the nearest dollar and the daily rates to the nearest cent.