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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/12/2015	262	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Health, Human Services and Housing
03/18/2015		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance

A bill for an act

1.1 relating to mental health; providing for training and outreach regarding mental
1.2 health peer specialists; establishing medical assistance coverage for clubhouse
1.3 program services; appropriating money for intensive community rehabilitation
1.4 services, suicide prevention, intensive treatment for adolescents and young
1.5 adults, and housing for individuals with mental illness; amending Minnesota
1.6 Statutes 2014, sections 256B.0615, by adding a subdivision; 256B.0625, by
1.7 adding a subdivision.
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1.9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.10 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256B.0615, is amended by adding a
1.11 subdivision to read:

1.12 **Subd. 6. Commissioner's duties related to peer specialist training and outreach.**

1.13 The commissioner shall collaborate with the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
1.14 system to identify coursework to fulfill the peer specialist training requirements. In
1.15 addition, the commissioner shall provide outreach to community mental health providers
1.16 to increase their knowledge on how peer specialists can be utilized, best practices on
1.17 hiring peer specialists, how peer specialist activities can be billed, and the benefits of
1.18 hiring peer specialists.

1.19 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a
1.20 subdivision to read:

1.21 **Subd. 64. Clubhouse program services for persons with mental illness.**

1.22 Effective July 1, 2015, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, medical assistance
1.23 covers clubhouse program services that are provided by a program provider accredited
1.24 by Clubhouse International. Clubhouse is a program for persons with serious mental
1.25 illness that provides services that are structured and community-based in a psychosocial

2.1 rehabilitation setting and that include skill building, mental health management, and
2.2 community supports to improve the potential for persons with serious mental illness to
2.3 establish and maintain social relationships and to obtain housing and occupational and
2.4 educational achievements.

2.5 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATION; INTENSIVE COMMUNITY REHABILITATION**
2.6 **SERVICES.**

2.7 \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2016 is appropriated from the general fund to the
2.8 commissioner of human services for intensive community rehabilitation services. This
2.9 appropriation is available until expended.

2.10 Sec. 4. **APPROPRIATION; TEXT MESSAGE SUICIDE PREVENTION**
2.11 **PROGRAM.**

2.12 \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated
2.13 from the general fund to the commissioner of health to expand the statewide text message
2.14 suicide prevention program and to fund training within schools and communities to
2.15 encourage the use of the program.

2.16 Sec. 5. **APPROPRIATION; SPECIAL PROJECTS FOR ADOLESCENT AND**
2.17 **YOUNG ADULT INTENSIVE TREATMENT AND SUPPORTS.**

2.18 (a) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated
2.19 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services to fund special projects to
2.20 provide intensive treatment and supports to adolescents and young adults 26 years of age
2.21 or younger who are experiencing their first psychotic or manic episode. Intensive treatment
2.22 and supports includes medication management, psychoeducation for the individual and
2.23 family, care coordination, employment supports, education supports, cognitive behavioral
2.24 approaches, cognitive remediation, social skills training, peer support, crisis planning, and
2.25 stress management. The special projects must utilize all available funding streams.

2.26 (b) \$100,000 in fiscal year 2016 is appropriated from the general fund to the
2.27 commissioner of human services to fund a project to conduct outreach, training, and
2.28 guidance to mental health and health care professionals, including postsecondary
2.29 health clinics, on early psychosis symptoms, screening tools, and best practices. This
2.30 appropriation is available until expended.

2.31 Sec. 6. **APPROPRIATION; SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES FOR**
2.32 **ADULTS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.**

3.1 \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 are appropriated
3.2 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for adult mental health
3.3 grants to increase the availability of a range of housing options with supports for persons
3.4 with serious mental illness.