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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. 562

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy

03/13/2013 Adoption of Report: Pass as Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to mental health; providing medical assistance coverage for services

1.3 provided by a licensed professional counselor; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.4 2012, section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a

1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 35c. **School-based mental health services.** Medical assistance covers mental

1.9 health services provided in a school as part of a school-linked mental health program by

1.10 an individual who is licensed by the Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy, Board of

1.11 Marriage and Family Therapy, Board of Psychology, or Board of Social Work, and who also

1.12 meets the definition of a mental health practitioner under section 245.462, subdivision 17,

1.13 or 245.4871, subdivision 26. For purposes of this subdivision, an individual who meets the

1.14 definition of mental health practitioner under section 245.462, subdivision 17, or 245.4871,

1.15 subdivision 26, is not limited to having less than 4,000 hours of post-master's experience.

1.16 The mental health practitioner must be supervised by a licensed mental health professional.