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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 277

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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 health care; proposing a constitutional amendment to the Minnesota
1.3 Constitution, article I; providing that access to certain health care services is a
1.4 fundamental right of the people of Minnesota.

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

1.6 Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

1.7 An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment
1.8 is adopted, a section shall be added to article I, to read:

1.9 Sec. 18. Access to essential, effective, and affordable health care services is a fundamental
1.10 right of the people of Minnesota. The legislature shall enact laws necessary to ensure timely
1.11 implementation of this right.

1.12 Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.

1.13 The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2018 general election.
1.14 The question submitted must be:

1.15 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that access to essential,
1.16 effective, and affordable health care services is a fundamental right of the people of
1.17 Minnesota?"

1.18 Yes
1.19 No "