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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **1030**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy
03/09/2017 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; allowing employees to opt out of state-paid insurance
1.3 and benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 43A.24, by adding a
1.4 subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 43A.24, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 1a. **Opt out.** (a) An individual eligible for state-paid hospital, medical, and dental
1.9 benefits under this section has the right to decline those benefits, provided the individual
1.10 declining the benefits can prove health insurance coverage from another source. Any
1.11 individual declining benefits must do so in writing, signed and dated, on a form provided
1.12 by the commissioner.

1.13 (b) The commissioner must create, and make available in hard copy and online a form
1.14 for individuals to use in declining state-paid hospital, medical, and dental benefits. The form
1.15 must, at a minimum, include notice to the declining individual of the next available
1.16 opportunity and procedure to re-enroll in the benefits.