

State of Minnesota

H. F. No. **2150**

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to health; authorizing a statewide quitline service to help Minnesotans quit

1.3 using tobacco products; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in

1.4 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[144.397] STATEWIDE TOBACCO QUITLINE SERVICES.**

1.7 (a) The commissioner of health shall administer, or contract for the administration of,

1.8 a statewide tobacco quitline service to assist Minnesotans who are seeking advice or services

1.9 to help them quit using tobacco products. The commissioner shall establish statewide public

1.10 awareness activities to inform the public of the availability of the service and encourage

1.11 the public to utilize the services because of the dangers and harm of tobacco use and

1.12 dependence.

1.13 (b) Services to be provided include, but are not limited to:

1.14 (1) telephone-based coaching and counseling;

1.15 (2) referrals;

1.16 (3) written materials mailed upon request;

1.17 (4) Web-based texting or e-mail services; and

1.18 (5) free Federal Drug Administration approved tobacco cessation medications.

1.19 (c) Services provided must be consistent with evidence-based best practices in tobacco

1.20 cessation services. Services provided must be coordinated with employer, health plan

1.21 company, and private sector tobacco prevention and cessation services that may be available

1.22 to individuals depending on their employment or health coverage.

2.1 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.2 \$..... in fiscal year 2018 and \$..... in fiscal year 2019 are appropriated from the general
2.3 fund to the commissioner of health for administering or contracting for the statewide tobacco
2.4 quitline service established under Minnesota Statutes, section 144.397.