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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2252

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Reform
03/22/2012 Adoption of Report: Pass and re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; instructing the commissioner to develop a plan for a
1.3 residential campus for individuals with autism.

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

1.5 Section 1. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE COMMISSIONERS.

1.6 (a) The commissioner of human services, in consultation with the commissioners
1.7 of education and employment and economic development, shall develop a plan to create
1.8 a residential campus providing 24-hour supervision for individuals with a diagnosis of
1.9 autistic disorder as defined by diagnostic code 299.0 in the Diagnostic and Statistical
1.10 Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV). This plan must identify how the costs and
1.11 programming will be shared between the agencies so that the social, educational, sensory,
1.12 and vocational needs of the individuals served by the program will be met.

1.13 (b) The plan must be developed no later than August 31, 2012.

1.14 Sec. 2. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE COMMISSIONER; WAIVER REQUEST.

1.15 (a) The commissioner of human services shall develop a proposal to the United
1.16 States Department of Health and Human Services which shall include any necessary
1.17 waivers, state plan amendments, and any other federal authority that may be necessary to
1.18 create and fund the program in paragraph (b).

1.19 (b) The commissioner shall request authority to create and fund a residential campus
1.20 program to serve individuals to age 21 who are diagnosed with autistic disorder as defined
1.21 by diagnostic code 299.0 in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
1.22 (DSM-IV), and who are able to live in a supported housing environment that provides
1.23 24-hour supervision. The program must:

- 2.1 (1) provide continuous on-site supervision;
- 2.2 (2) provide sensory or other therapeutic programming as appropriate for each
- 2.3 resident; and
- 2.4 (3) incorporate independent living skills, socialization skills, and vocational skills,
- 2.5 as appropriate for each resident.
- 2.6 (c) The commissioner shall submit the proposal no later than January 1, 2013.