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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Reform

03/08/2012 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Civil Law

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to insurance; specifying financial responsibility for hospital-acquired
1.3 infections; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 604.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **[604.111] FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR**
1.6 **HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED CONDITIONS.**

1.7 **Subdivision 1. Definition; hospital-acquired condition.** For purposes of this
1.8 section, "hospital-acquired condition" means a medical condition acquired or worsened
1.9 as a result of an error or omission made by a hospital in connection with the diagnosis,
1.10 treatment, care, or other service provided by a hospital to a patient.

1.11 **Subd. 2. Payment for hospital-acquired conditions.** (a) A hospital is liable to the
1.12 patient for all corrective medical and hospital service costs that are reasonably necessary
1.13 as a result of a hospital-acquired condition created or increased by the hospital.

1.14 (b) The patient may obtain the corrective medical or hospital services from any
1.15 appropriate medical or hospital provider, the cost of which must be paid by the hospital
1.16 responsible for the hospital-acquired condition.

1.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2012, and applies to
1.18 hospital-acquired conditions created on or after that date.