

2.1 (7) three members appointed by the Minnesota Medical Group Management Association
2.2 to represent health care providers; and

2.3 (8) one health plan enrollee advocate, appointed by the commissioner of commerce.

2.4 (b) Compensation and expense reimbursement must be as provided under Minnesota
2.5 Statutes, section 15.059, subdivision 3, to members of the task force.

2.6 (c) The commissioner of commerce shall convene the task force by August 1, 2017, and
2.7 shall appoint a chair from the membership of the task force. Staffing and technical assistance
2.8 must be provided by the Department of Commerce.

2.9 Subd. 3. **Duties.** The task force shall review and discuss the following issues related to
2.10 the cost of high deductible health plans:

2.11 (1) initiatives states have taken to address the cost of high deductible health plans to
2.12 enrollees, health plans, and health care providers;

2.13 (2) initiatives insurers have taken to address the cost of high deductible health plans;

2.14 (3) the costs to health care providers incurred in collecting or attempting to collect
2.15 deductibles and co-pays on high deductible health plans;

2.16 (4) the annual amount of uncollected debt owed health care providers that is attributable
2.17 to high deductible health plans; and

2.18 (5) possible compensation mechanisms to reimburse health care providers for
2.19 uncompensated care in the form of uncollectible deductibles and co-pays on high deductible
2.20 plans.

2.21 Subd. 4. **Report.** By February 1, 2018, the task force must submit to the chairs and
2.22 ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees and
2.23 divisions with primary jurisdiction over commerce and transportation its written
2.24 recommendations, including any draft legislation necessary to implement the
2.25 recommendations.

2.26 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** The task force expires the day after submitting the report under
2.27 subdivision 4, or February 2, 2018, whichever is earlier.

2.28 **Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION.**

2.29 \$..... is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Commerce for the
2.30 purposes of the task force established in section 1.