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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2940

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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; increasing the medical assistance income limit for  
1.3 certain adults without children; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, section  
1.4 256B.056, subdivision 4.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256B.056, subdivision 4, is amended to  
1.7 read:

1.8 Subd. 4. **Income.** (a) To be eligible for medical assistance, a person eligible under  
1.9 section 256B.055, subdivisions 7, 7a, and 12, may have income up to 100 percent of  
1.10 the federal poverty guidelines. Effective January 1, 2000, and each successive January,  
1.11 recipients of supplemental security income may have an income up to the supplemental  
1.12 security income standard in effect on that date.

1.13 (b) To be eligible for medical assistance, families and children may have an income  
1.14 up to 133-1/3 percent of the AFDC income standard in effect under the July 16, 1996,  
1.15 AFDC state plan. Effective July 1, 2000, the base AFDC standard in effect on July 16,  
1.16 1996, shall be increased by three percent.

1.17 (c) Effective July 1, 2002, to be eligible for medical assistance, families and children  
1.18 may have an income up to 100 percent of the federal poverty guidelines for the family size.

1.19 (d) To be eligible for medical assistance under section 256B.055, subdivision 15,  
1.20 a person may have an income up to ~~75~~ 133 percent of federal poverty guidelines for  
1.21 the family size.

1.22 (e) In computing income to determine eligibility of persons under paragraphs (a) to  
1.23 (d) who are not residents of long-term care facilities, the commissioner shall disregard  
1.24 increases in income as required by Public ~~Law Numbers~~ Laws 94-566, section 503;

2.1 99-272; and 99-509. Veterans aid and attendance benefits and Veterans Administration  
2.2 unusual medical expense payments are considered income to the recipient.

2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2013.