

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to human services; requiring prior authorization for cesarean deliveries;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a  
1.6 subdivision to read:

1.7 Subd. 1b. **Prior authorization for cesarean delivery.** (a) The commissioner shall  
1.8 require prior authorization before a cesarean delivery is eligible for payment unless the  
1.9 cesarean delivery is determined to be an emergency or necessary to save the life or health  
1.10 of the woman or the unborn child.

1.11 (b) Prior authorization shall only be provided for cesarean deliveries that are  
1.12 determined to be medically necessary.