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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Health and Human Services Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; limiting use of funds for state-sponsored health programs for
1.3 funding abortions.

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

1.5 Section 1. **PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. Use of funds. Funding for state-sponsored health programs shall not be
1.7 used for funding abortions, except to the extent necessary for continued participation in a
1.8 federal program. This subdivision applies only to state-sponsored health programs that are
1.9 administered by the commissioner of human services. For purposes of this section, abortion
1.10 has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 144.343, subdivision 3.

1.11 Subd. 2. Severability. If any one or more provision, section, subdivision, sentence,
1.12 clause, phrase, or word of this section or the application of it to any person or circumstance
1.13 is found to be unconstitutional, it is declared to be severable and the balance of this section
1.14 shall remain effective notwithstanding such unconstitutionality. The legislature intends that
1.15 it would have passed this section, and each provision, section, subdivision, sentence, clause,
1.16 phrase, or word irrespective of the fact that any one provision, section, subdivision, sentence,
1.17 clause, phrase, or word is declared unconstitutional.