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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2878

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy  
03/17/2014 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Civil Law  
03/20/2014 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to health; modifying the cancer surveillance system; amending  
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.671.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144.671, is amended to read:

1.6 **144.671 CANCER SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM; PURPOSE.**

1.7 (a) The commissioner of health shall establish a statewide population-based cancer  
1.8 surveillance system. The purpose of this system is to:

1.9 (1) monitor incidence trends of cancer to detect potential public health problems,  
1.10 predict risks, and assist in investigating cancer clusters;

1.11 (2) more accurately target intervention resources for communities and patients  
1.12 and their families;

1.13 (3) inform health professionals and citizens about risks, early detection, and  
1.14 treatment of cancers known to be elevated in their communities; and

1.15 (4) promote high quality research to provide better information for cancer control  
1.16 and to address public concerns and questions about cancer.

1.17 (b) In addition to the factors monitored under paragraph (a), the commissioner  
1.18 shall also request:

1.19 (1) all previous occupations, dates, and places of work of a cancer patient; and

1.20 (2) the time and place of any military service performed by a cancer patient.