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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to commerce; changing provisions for evaluation of health coverage
 1.3 mandates; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section
 1.4 62J.26, subdivisions 3, 5, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 62J.26, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. **Requests for evaluation.** (a) Whenever a legislative measure containing a
 1.8 mandated health benefit proposal is introduced as a bill or offered as an amendment to a bill,
 1.9 ~~or is likely to be introduced as a bill or offered as an amendment, a~~ the chair of any standing
 1.10 the legislative committee that has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the proposal ~~may~~
 1.11 ~~request that~~ must inform the commissioner ~~complete an evaluation of the proposal under~~
 1.12 ~~this section, to inform any committee of floor action by either house of the legislature.~~

1.13 (b) The commissioner must conduct an evaluation described in subdivision 2 of each
 1.14 mandated health benefit proposal ~~for which an evaluation is requested under paragraph (a),~~
 1.15 ~~unless the commissioner determines under paragraph (c) or subdivision 4 that priorities~~
 1.16 ~~and resources do not permit its evaluation~~ introduced as a bill or offered as an amendment
 1.17 to a bill upon receiving notification under paragraph (a).

1.18 (c) ~~If requests for evaluation of multiple proposals are received, the commissioner~~
 1.19 ~~must consult with the chairs of the standing legislative committees having jurisdiction~~
 1.20 ~~over the subject matter of the mandated health benefit proposals to prioritize the requests~~
 1.21 ~~and establish a reporting date for each proposal to be evaluated. The commissioner~~
 1.22 ~~is not required to direct an unreasonable quantity of the commissioner's resources to~~
 1.23 ~~these evaluations.~~

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 62J.26, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 5. **Report to legislature.** The commissioner must submit a written report on
2.3 the evaluation to the legislature no later than ~~180~~ 30 days after the request. The report
2.4 must be submitted in compliance with sections 3.195 and 3.197.

2.5 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 62J.26, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.6 read:

2.7 Subd. 6. **Evaluation of mandated health benefits.** (a) The commissioner of
2.8 commerce, in consultation with the commissioners of health and management and budget,
2.9 shall evaluate each mandated health benefit currently required in Minnesota Statutes or
2.10 Minnesota Rules according to the evaluation process described in subdivision 2.

2.11 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, a "mandated health benefit" means a statutory
2.12 or administrative requirement that a health plan do the following:

2.13 (1) provide coverage or increase the amount of coverage for the treatment of a
2.14 particular disease, condition, or other health care need;

2.15 (2) provide coverage or increase the amount of coverage of a particular type of
2.16 health care treatment or service, or of equipment, supplies, or drugs used in connection
2.17 with a health care treatment or service; or

2.18 (3) provide coverage for care delivered by a specific type of provider.

2.19 (c) The commissioner must submit a written report on the evaluation of existing state
2.20 mandated health benefits to the legislature by December 31, 2014.

2.21 Sec. 4. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.22 \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2014 from the general fund to the commissioner
2.23 of commerce for the purpose of conducting the evaluations required under Minnesota
2.24 Statutes, section 62J.26, subdivision 6. This is a onetime appropriation.