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H. F. No. 3689

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; exempting farmers who have received a mediation
1.3 notice from the MinnesotaCare income limit; appropriating money; amending
1.4 Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 256L.04, by adding a subdivision; 256L.15,
1.5 subdivision 2.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 256L.04, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.8 to read:

1.9 Subd. 15. **Farmers.** Persons in farm households that have been served a mediation notice
1.10 under chapter 583 are eligible for MinnesotaCare without regard to any program income
1.11 limit.

1.12 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 256L.15, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.13 Subd. 2. **Sliding fee scale; monthly individual or family income.** (a) The commissioner
1.14 shall establish a sliding fee scale to determine the percentage of monthly individual or family
1.15 income that households at different income levels must pay to obtain coverage through the
1.16 MinnesotaCare program. The sliding fee scale must be based on the enrollee's monthly
1.17 individual or family income.

1.18 (b) Beginning January 1, 2014, MinnesotaCare enrollees shall pay premiums according
1.19 to the premium scale specified in paragraph (d).

1.20 (c) Paragraph (b) does not apply to:

1.21 (1) children 20 years of age or younger; and

2.1 (2) individuals with household incomes below 35 percent of the federal poverty  
2.2 guidelines.

2.3 (d) The following premium scale is established for each individual in the household who  
2.4 is 21 years of age or older and enrolled in MinnesotaCare:

2.5	<b>Federal Poverty Guideline</b>	<b>Less than</b>	<b>Individual Premium</b>
2.6	<b>Greater than or Equal to</b>		<b>Amount</b>
2.7	35%	55%	\$4
2.8	55%	80%	\$6
2.9	80%	90%	\$8
2.10	90%	100%	\$10
2.11	100%	110%	\$12
2.12	110%	120%	\$14
2.13	120%	130%	\$15
2.14	130%	140%	\$16
2.15	140%	150%	\$25
2.16	150%	160%	\$37
2.17	160%	170%	\$44
2.18	170%	180%	\$52
2.19	180%	190%	\$61
2.20	190%	200%	\$71
2.21	200%		\$80

2.22 (e) Persons in farm households that have been served a mediation notice under chapter  
2.23 583, with household incomes exceeding 200 percent of the federal poverty guidelines, shall  
2.24 pay an individual premium of \$100 per month. Children 20 years of age or younger are  
2.25 exempt from premiums under this paragraph.

2.26 **Sec. 3. APPROPRIATION.**

2.27 \$..... in fiscal year 2021 is appropriated from the health care access fund to the  
2.28 commissioner of human services to provide state-only funded MinnesotaCare coverage to  
2.29 persons eligible under Minnesota Statutes, section 256L.04, subdivision 15.