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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. F. No. **4636**

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

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to health; prohibiting health plan companies, public hospitals, and the

1.3 Board of Medical Practice from requiring physicians to maintain board certification;

1.4 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 62Q; 144; 147.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[62Q.08] MAINTENANCE OF BOARD CERTIFICATION AS**

1.7 **CONDITION OF CREDENTIAL OR PAYMENT.**

1.8 A health plan company must not require a physician to maintain certification from a

1.9 specialty board of the American Board of Medical Specialties or from a specialty board of

1.10 the American Osteopathic Association in order to receive payment from a health plan

1.11 company or to be credentialed as a provider in the health plan company's provider network.

1.12 Sec. 2. **[144.5805] MAINTENANCE OF BOARD CERTIFICATION AS CONDITION**

1.13 **OF EMPLOYMENT OR ADMITTING PRIVILEGES.**

1.14 A hospital owned or operated by a local unit of government, state agency, or other

1.15 governmental entity must not require a physician to maintain certification from a specialty

1.16 board of the American Board of Medical Specialties or from a specialty board of the

1.17 American Osteopathic Association in order to be employed by the hospital, to have admitting

1.18 privileges at the hospital, or to provide health care to patients at the hospital.

2.1      Sec. 3. **[147.034] MAINTENANCE OF BOARD CERTIFICATION AS CONDITION**  
2.2      **OF LICENSURE.**

2.3             The board must not require a physician to maintain certification from a specialty board  
2.4      of the American Board of Medical Specialties or from a specialty board of the American  
2.5      Osteopathic Association in order to be licensed or to renew a license under this chapter.