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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. **4681**

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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 health; limiting the general authority of the commissioner of health;

1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 144.05, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 144.05, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.6 to read:

1.7 Subd. 1a. **Limitations on general duties of commissioner.** The general duties and

1.8 authority granted under subdivision 1 do not authorize the commissioner to impose

1.9 requirements, spend funds, or issue grants related to collection, storage, or analysis of patient

1.10 health information without explicit authorization in state statute for that specific activity.

1.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.