

This Document can be made available
in alternative formats upon request

State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-FIFTH
SESSION

HOUSE FILE No. 2560

February 12, 2008

Authored by Ruud; Otremba; Murphy, E., and Fritz

The bill was read for the first time and Interim introduction, referred to Health and Human Services

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to insurance; requiring health plans to provide coverage for
1.3 neuropsychological testing for children diagnosed with cancer; extending
1.4 medical assistance coverage to neuropsychological testing for children diagnosed
1.5 with cancer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.0625, by adding a
1.6 subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62A.

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

1.8 Section 1. **[62A.3094] NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING FOR CHILDREN**
1.9 **DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER.**

1.10 Subdivision 1. **Required coverage.** Any health plan that provides coverage for
1.11 cancer treatment must provide coverage to a covered individual under the age of 25 who
1.12 has been diagnosed with cancer on or after January 1, 2000, for neuropsychological testing
1.13 ordered by a licensed physician to assess the extent of any cognitive or developmental
1.14 delays due to chemotherapy or radiation treatment.

1.15 Subd. 2. **Special restrictions prohibited.** The health plan may not impose a prior
1.16 authorization requirement or a special deductible, coinsurance, or co-payment on the
1.17 coverage described in subdivision 1 that is not generally applicable to other coverage
1.18 under the health plan.

1.19 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a
1.20 subdivision to read:

1.21 Subd. 53. **Neuropsychological testing to children diagnosed with cancer.**
1.22 Effective July 1, 2008, medical assistance covers neuropsychological testing ordered by a
1.23 licensed physician for children who have been diagnosed with cancer on or after January

2.1 1, 2000, to assess the extent of any cognitive or developmental delays in the child due
2.2 to chemotherapy or radiation treatment.

2.3 **Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.4 Section 1 is effective for any health plan that is issued, renewed, or continued after
2.5 July 1, 2008.