

1.1 Senator moves to amend S.F. No. 911 as follows:

1.2 Page 1, after line 4, insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **HUMAN SERVICES' REGULATION SIMPLIFICATION WORKING**
1.4 **GROUP.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Members.** (a) The commissioner of human services shall appoint 16
1.6 members to the human services' regulation simplification working group. The membership
1.7 of the working group must include at least the following:

1.8 (1) a natural support of a person diagnosed with a mental illness;

1.9 (2) a person diagnosed with a mental illness who is receiving services funded by the
1.10 Department of Human Services;

1.11 (3) a mental health provider licensed by or receiving reimbursement from the Department
1.12 of Human Services;

1.13 (4) a parent of a child receiving child care services funded by the Department of Human
1.14 Services;

1.15 (5) a child care provider licensed by or receiving reimbursement from the Department
1.16 of Human Services;

1.17 (6) a natural support of a person receiving home and community-based services funded
1.18 by the Department of Human Services;

1.19 (7) a person receiving home and community-based services funded by the Department
1.20 of Human Services;

1.21 (8) a home and community-based service provider licensed by or receiving reimbursement
1.22 from the Department of Human Services;

1.23 (9) the commissioner of human services or a designee;

1.24 (10) the ombudsman for long-term care or a designee; and

1.25 (11) the ombudsman for mental health and developmental disabilities or a designee.

1.26 (b) The appointing authorities must appoint members by July 15, 2017.

1.27 (c) To the extent practicable, the membership of the working group must reflect the
1.28 diversity in Minnesota, and must include representation from rural and metropolitan areas
1.29 and representatives of different ethnicities, races, genders, ages, cultural groups, and abilities.

1.30 Subd. 2. **Duties; recommendations.** The human services' regulation simplification
1.31 working group must review Minnesota Rules, Minnesota Statutes, and federal regulations

2.1 governing the provision of direct mental health services, home and community-based
 2.2 services, child care services, and other direct care services licensed, regulated, or funded
 2.3 by the Department of Human Services. The working group shall consider and make
 2.4 recommendations concerning the simplification of the regulations governing these services,
 2.5 including recommendations for reducing the administrative burden on counties and providers,
 2.6 increasing access to services, and consolidating audits, certifications, and assessments.

2.7 Subd. 3. **Meetings.** The commissioner of human services must convene the first meeting
 2.8 of the working group no later than August 15, 2017. The working group shall elect a chair
 2.9 from among its members at its first meeting. The meetings of the working group shall be
 2.10 open to the public.

2.11 Subd. 4. **Compensation.** Members of the working group serve without compensation
 2.12 and shall not be reimbursed for expenses.

2.13 Subd. 5. **Administrative support.** The commissioner of human services shall provide
 2.14 administrative support and arrange meeting space for the working group.

2.15 Subd. 6. **Report.** The commissioner of human services shall submit a report providing
 2.16 the recommendations of the working group, including any draft legislation necessary to
 2.17 implement the recommendations, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
 2.18 legislative committees with jurisdiction over human services by January 15, 2018.

2.19 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** The human services' regulation simplification working group
 2.20 expires on June 30, 2018, or the day after the commissioner submits the report required
 2.21 under subdivision 6, whichever is earlier.

2.22 **Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION.**

2.23 \$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2018 from the general fund to the commissioner of
 2.24 human services for the human services' regulation simplification working group."

2.25 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

2.26 Delete the title and insert:

2.27 "A bill for an act

2.28 relating to human services; creating the human services' regulation simplification
 2.29 working group; appropriating money for the human services' regulation
 2.30 simplification working group; appropriating money for home and community-based
 2.31 services incentive pool."