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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 1331

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Data Practices Policy
- 03/15/2017 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Reform
- 03/20/2017 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to corrections; mental health screening; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.3 2016, sections 13.851, by adding a subdivision; 641.15, subdivision 3a.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 13.851, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.6 to read:

1.7 Subd. 11. **Mental health screening.** The treatment of data collected by a sheriff or local

1.8 corrections agency related to individuals who may have a mental illness is governed by

1.9 section 641.15, subdivision 3a.

1.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 641.15, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

1.11 Subd. 3a. **Intake procedure; approved mental health screening.** As part of its intake

1.12 procedure for new ~~prisoners~~ inmates, the sheriff or local corrections shall use a mental health

1.13 screening tool approved by the commissioner of corrections in consultation with the

1.14 commissioner of human services and local corrections staff to identify persons who may

1.15 have mental illness. Names of persons who have screened positive or may have a mental

1.16 illness may be shared with the local county social services agency. The jail may refer an

1.17 offender to county personnel of the welfare system, as defined in section 13.46, subdivision

1.18 1, paragraph (c), in order to arrange for services upon discharge and may share private data

1.19 as necessary to carry out the following:

1.20 (1) providing assistance in filling out an application for medical assistance or

1.21 MinnesotaCare;

- 2.1 (2) making a referral for case management as outlined under section 245.467, subdivision
2.2 4;
- 2.3 (3) providing assistance in obtaining a state photo identification;
- 2.4 (4) securing a timely appointment with a psychiatrist or other appropriate community
2.5 mental health provider;
- 2.6 (5) providing prescriptions for a 30-day supply of all necessary medications; or
- 2.7 (6) behavioral health service coordination.