

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2294, in conference committee, as follows:

1.2 On R12, Article 3, House language, (H2294-3)

1.3 Page 57, after line 6, insert:

1.4 "Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256J.575, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Purpose.** ~~(a) The~~ Family stabilization services serve families who
1.6 are not making significant progress within the regular employment and training services
1.7 track of the Minnesota family investment program (MFIP) due to a variety of barriers to
1.8 employment.

1.9 ~~(b) The goal of the services is to stabilize and improve the lives of families at risk~~
1.10 ~~of long-term welfare dependency or family instability due to employment barriers such~~
1.11 ~~as physical disability, mental disability, age, or providing care for a disabled household~~
1.12 ~~member. These services promote and support families to achieve the greatest possible~~
1.13 ~~degree of self-sufficiency.~~

1.14 Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256J.575, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.15 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** The terms used in this section have the meanings given them
1.16 in paragraphs (a) ~~to (d)~~ and (b).

1.17 (a) ~~"Case manager" means the county-designated staff person or employment~~
1.18 ~~services counselor.~~

1.19 (b) ~~"Case management"~~ "Family stabilization services" means ~~the services~~
1.20 programs, activities, and services provided by or through the county agency or through the
1.21 employment services agency to participating families, ~~including.~~ Services include, but
1.22 are not limited to, assessment as defined in section 256J.521, subdivision 1, information,
1.23 referrals, and assistance in the preparation and implementation of a family stabilization
1.24 plan under subdivision 5.

1.25 ~~(c)~~ (b) "Family stabilization plan" means a plan developed ~~by a case manager~~
1.26 ~~and~~ with the participant, which identifies the participant's most appropriate path to

2.1 unsubsidized employment, family stability, and barrier reduction, taking into account the
2.2 family's circumstances.

2.3 ~~(d) "Family stabilization services" means programs, activities, and services in this~~
2.4 ~~section that provide participants and their family members with assistance regarding,~~
2.5 ~~but not limited to:~~

2.6 ~~(1) obtaining and retaining unsubsidized employment;~~

2.7 ~~(2) family stability;~~

2.8 ~~(3) economic stability; and~~

2.9 ~~(4) barrier reduction.~~

2.10 ~~The goal of the services is to achieve the greatest degree of economic self-sufficiency~~
2.11 ~~and family well-being possible for the family under the circumstances.~~

2.12 Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256J.575, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

2.13 Subd. 5. **Case management; Family stabilization plans; coordinated services.**

2.14 (a) The county agency or employment services provider shall provide ~~family stabilization~~
2.15 ~~services to families through a case management model. A case manager shall be assigned~~
2.16 ~~to each participating family within 30 days after the family is determined to be eligible~~
2.17 ~~for family stabilization services. The case manager, with the full involvement of the~~
2.18 ~~participant, shall recommend, and the county agency shall establish and modify as~~
2.19 ~~necessary, a family stabilization plan for each participating family. Once a participant~~
2.20 ~~has been determined eligible for family stabilization services, the county agency or~~
2.21 ~~employment services provider must attempt to meet with the participant to develop a~~
2.22 ~~plan within 30 days.~~

2.23 (b) If a participant is already assigned to a county case manager or a
2.24 county-designated case manager in social services, disability services, or housing services
2.25 that case manager already assigned may be the case manager for purposes of these services.

2.26 ~~(b) The family stabilization plan must include:~~

2.27 ~~(1) each participant's plan for long-term self-sufficiency, including an employment~~
2.28 ~~goal where applicable;~~

2.29 ~~(2) an assessment of each participant's strengths and barriers, and any special~~
2.30 ~~circumstances of the participant's family that impact, or are likely to impact, the~~
2.31 ~~participant's progress towards the goals in the plan; and~~

2.32 ~~(3) an identification of the services, supports, education, training, and~~
2.33 ~~accommodations needed to reduce or overcome any barriers to enable the family to~~
2.34 ~~achieve self-sufficiency and to fulfill each caregiver's personal and family responsibilities.~~

3.1 ~~(e) The case manager and the participant shall meet within 30 days of the family's~~
 3.2 ~~referral to the case manager. The initial family stabilization plan must be completed within~~
 3.3 ~~30 days of the first meeting with the case manager. The case manager shall establish a~~
 3.4 ~~schedule for periodic review of the family stabilization plan that includes personal contact~~
 3.5 ~~with the participant at least once per month. In addition, the case manager shall review~~
 3.6 ~~and, if necessary, modify the plan under the following circumstances:~~

3.7 ~~(1) there is a lack of satisfactory progress in achieving the goals of the plan;~~

3.8 ~~(2) the participant has lost unsubsidized or subsidized employment;~~

3.9 ~~(3) a family member has failed or is unable to comply with a family stabilization~~
 3.10 ~~plan requirement;~~

3.11 ~~(4) services, supports, or other activities required by the plan are unavailable;~~

3.12 ~~(5) changes to the plan are needed to promote the well-being of the children; or~~

3.13 ~~(6) the participant and case manager determine that the plan is no longer appropriate~~
 3.14 ~~for any other reason. Participants determined eligible for family stabilization services must~~
 3.15 ~~have access to employment and training services under sections 256J.515 to 256J.575, to~~
 3.16 ~~the extent these services are available to other MFIP participants.~~

3.17 Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256J.575, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

3.18 Subd. 6. **Cooperation with services requirements.** ~~(a) A participant who is eligible~~
 3.19 ~~for family stabilization services under this section shall comply with paragraphs (b) to (d).~~

3.20 ~~(b) Participants shall engage in family stabilization plan services for the appropriate~~
 3.21 ~~number of hours per week that the activities are scheduled and available, based on the~~
 3.22 ~~needs of the participant and the participant's family, unless good cause exists for not~~
 3.23 ~~doing so, as defined in section 256J.57, subdivision 1. ~~The appropriate number of hours~~~~
 3.24 ~~must be based on the participant's plan.~~

3.25 ~~(c) The case manager county agency or employment services agency shall review~~
 3.26 ~~the participant's progress toward the goals in the family stabilization plan every six~~
 3.27 ~~months to determine whether conditions have changed, including whether revisions to~~
 3.28 ~~the plan are needed.~~

3.29 ~~(d) A participant's requirement to comply with any or all family stabilization plan~~
 3.30 ~~requirements under this subdivision is excused when the case management services,~~
 3.31 ~~training and educational services, or family support services identified in the participant's~~
 3.32 ~~family stabilization plan are unavailable for reasons beyond the control of the participant,~~
 3.33 ~~including when money appropriated is not sufficient to provide the services.~~

3.34 Sec. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256J.575, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

4.1 Subd. 8. **Funding.** (a) The commissioner of human services shall treat MFIP
4.2 expenditures made to or on behalf of any minor child under this section, who is part of a
4.3 household that meets criteria in subdivision 3, as expenditures under a separately funded
4.4 state program. These expenditures shall not count toward the state's maintenance of effort
4.5 requirements under the federal TANF program.

4.6 (b) A family is no longer part of a separately funded program under this section if
4.7 the caregiver no longer meets the criteria for family stabilization services in subdivision
4.8 3, ~~or if it is determined at recertification that a caregiver with a child under the age of six is~~
4.9 ~~working at least 87 hours per month in paid or unpaid employment, or a caregiver without~~
4.10 ~~a child under the age of six is working at least 130 hours per month in paid or unpaid~~
4.11 ~~employment, whichever occurs sooner."~~

4.12 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

4.13 Amend the title accordingly