

Backer and Bierman from the Committee on Health Finance and Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 4467, A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying provider disenrollment, premium payment requirements, and physician-directed clinic staff services coverage; recodifying certain language; requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.01, subdivision 8; 245A.02, subdivision 5a; 245D.081, subdivision 3; 256B.057, subdivision 9; 256B.0625, subdivision 4; 256B.0949, subdivision 17; 256L.05, subdivision 3; 256L.06, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.0759, subdivision 4; 256B.0949, subdivision 16; Laws 2024, chapter 125, article 4, section 12, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256B.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 21, after line 25, insert:

"Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.695, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. CARMA enrollment. (a) Subject to ~~paragraphs~~ paragraph (d) ~~and (e)~~, eligible individuals must be automatically enrolled in CARMA, but may decline enrollment. Eligible individuals may enroll in fee-for-service medical assistance. Eligible individuals may change their CARMA elections on an annual basis.

(b) Eligible individuals must be able to enroll in CARMA through the selection process in accordance with the election period established in section 256B.69, subdivision 4, paragraph (e).

(c) Enrollees who were not previously enrolled in the medical assistance program or MinnesotaCare can change their selection once within the first year after enrollment in CARMA. Enrollees who were not previously enrolled in CARMA have 90 days to make a change and changes are allowed for additional special circumstances.

(d) The commissioner may not offer a second health plan to eligible individuals other than, ~~and~~ or in addition to, CARMA except that the commissioner may offer a second health plan to eligible individuals when another health plan is enrolling in MinnesotaCare, if required by federal law or rule. Eligible individuals who do not select a health plan at the time of enrollment must automatically be enrolled in CARMA.

(e) The commissioner may offer a replacement plan to eligible individuals, as determined by the commissioner, when counties administering CARMA have their contract terminated for cause.

~~(e) (f) The commissioner may, on a county-by-county basis, offer a health plan other than, and in addition to, CARMA to individuals who are eligible for both Medicare and medical assistance due to age, income, or disability if the commissioner deems it necessary for enrollees to have another choice of health plan. Factors the commissioner must consider when determining if the other health plan is necessary include the number of available Medicare Advantage Plan options that are not special needs plans in the county, the size of the enrolling population, the additional administrative burden placed on providers and counties by multiple health plan options in a county, the need to ensure the viability and success of the CARMA program, and the impact to the medical assistance program there is not already a health plan available under CARMA.~~

~~(f) In counties where the commissioner is required by federal law or elects to offer a second health plan other than CARMA pursuant to paragraphs (d) and (e), eligible enrollees who do not select a health plan at the time of enrollment must automatically be enrolled in CARMA.~~

(g) This subdivision supersedes section 256B.694.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2027."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "modifying enrollment for the county-administered rural medical assistance program;"

Correct the title numbers accordingly

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be placed on the General Register.

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This Committee action taken March 23, 2026

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