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Lesch from the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Division to which was referred: 1.1 H. F. No. 5, A bill for an act relating to employment; providing for paid family, 1.2 pregnancy, bonding, and applicant's serious medical condition benefits; regulating and 1.3 requiring certain employment leaves; classifying certain data; authorizing rulemaking; 1.4 appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 13.719, by adding a 1.5 subdivision; 177.27, subdivision 4; 181.032; 256J.561, by adding a subdivision; 256J.95, 1.6 subdivisions 3, 11; 256P.01, subdivision 3; 268.19, subdivision 1; 290.0132, by adding a 1.7 subdivision; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 268B. 1.8 Reported the same back with the following amendments: 1.9 Page 2, line 5, after "268B.09" insert ", subdivisions 1 to 6" 1.10 Page 5, line 27, before the period, insert ", unless otherwise indicated by context" 1.11 Page 6, line 1, before "means" insert "or "day"" 1.12 Page 6, after line 6, insert 1.13 "Subd. 11. Continuing treatment. A serious health condition involving continuing 1.14 treatment by a health care provider includes any one or more of the following: 1.15 (1) a period of incapacity of more than three consecutive, full calendar days, and any 1.16 subsequent treatment or period of incapacity relating to the same condition, that also involves: 1.17 (i) treatment two or more times within 30 calendar days of the first day of incapacity, 1.18 unless extenuating circumstances exist, by a health care provider; or 1.19 (ii) treatment by a health care provider on at least one occasion that results in a regimen 1.20 of continuing treatment under the supervision of the health care provider; 1.21 (2) any period of incapacity or treatment for such incapacity due to a chronic serious 1.22 health condition. A chronic serious health condition is one that: 1.23 (i) requires periodic visits, defined as at least twice per year, for treatment for the 1.24

1.25 incapacity by a health care provider;

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2.1	(ii) continues over an extended period	of time, including	recurring episo	des of a single
2.2	underlying condition; and	or unit, morading		
2.3	(iii) may cause episodic rather than a c	ontinuing period	of incanacity.	
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2.4	(3) a period of incapacity that is long-t			
2.5 2.6	not be effective, with the employee or fam necessarily receiving active treatment by a	150 = 2	1914 - 1916 -	ol, out not
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2.7	(4) any period of absence to receive m		by a health care	provider,
2.8	including any period of recovery therefrom	n, for:		
2.9	(i) restorative surgery after an accident	t or other injury; o	or	
2.10	(ii) a condition that would likely result	in a period of inc	capacity of more	than seven
2.11	consecutive, calendar days in the absence	of medical interv	ention or treatme	ent, such as
2.12	cancer, severe arthritis, or kidney disease.	N		
2.13	Page 6, delete subdivision 12			
2.14	Page 6, line 28, delete everything after	the period		
2.15	Page 6, delete line 29	* * *		
2.16	Page 6, line 31, before the period, inse	ert ", except that a	self-employed in	ndividual who
2.17	has elected and been approved for covera	ge under section 2	268B.11 is not co	onsidered an
2.18	employer with regard to the self-employe	d individual's own	n coverage and b	enefits"
2.19	Page 6, after line 31, insert:			
2.20	"Subd. 17. Estimated self-employme	nt income. "Estin	nated self-employ	ment income"
2.21	means a self-employed individual's avera	ge net earnings fr	om self-employn	nent in the two
2.22	most recent taxable years. For a self-emp	loyed individual v	who had net earn	ings from
2.23				
2.24	equals the individual's net earnings from se	elf-employment in	the year in which	n the individual
2.25	had net earnings from self-employment."			
2.26	Page 7, delete subdivision 19 and inse	ert:		
2.27	"Subd. 19. Family member. (a) "Fam	ily member" mea	ns an employee's	s child, adult
2.28	child, spouse, sibling, parent, parent-in-la	w, grandchild, gr	andparent, steppa	arent, member
2.29	of the employee's household, or an indivi	dual described in	paragraph (e).	
2.30	(b) For the purposes of this chapter, a	child includes a s	tepchild, biologic	cal, adopted, or
2.31	foster child of the employee.			

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3.1	(c) For the purposes of this chapter, a	grandchild include	es a step-grandchil	ld, biological,
3.2	adopted, or foster grandchild of the emp		10	<u>, , , ,</u>
3.3	(d) For the purposes of this chapter,	an individual is a m	ember of the emp	oloyee's
3.4	household if the individual has resided a	t the same address	as the employee fo	or at least one
3.5	year as of the first day of a leave under t	his chapter.		
3.6	(e) For the purposes of this chapter, a	an individual with a	a serious health co	ndition is
3.7	deemed a family member of the employ	ee if (1) a health ca	re provider certifi	es in writing
3.8	that the individual requires care relating t	o the serious health	condition, and (2)	the employee
3.9	and the care recipient certify in writing t	hat the employee v	vill be providing t	he required
3.10	care."		-	
3.11	Page 8, after line 11, insert:			
3.12	"Subd. 23. Inpatient care. "Inpatient	care" means an over	rnight stay in a hos	pital, hospice,
3.13	or residential medical care facility, inclu	ding any period of	incapacity define	d under
3.14	subdivision 33, paragraph (b), or any sub	sequent treatment in	n connection with	such inpatient
3.15	care."			
3.16	Page 8, after line 16, insert:			
3.17	"Subd. 25. Net earnings from self-e	mployment. "Net e	arnings from self-	employment"
3.18	has the meaning given in section 1402 o	f the Internal Reve	nue Code, as defin	ned in section
3.19	290.01, subdivision 31."			
3.20	Page 8 delete subdivisions 27 and 28	and insert:		
3.21	"Subd. 27. Qualifying exigency. (a)	"Qualifying exigen	icy" means a need	arising out of
3.22	a military member's active duty service	or notice of an imp	ending call or ord	er to active
3.23	duty in the United States armed forces,	including providing	g for the care or ot	ther needs of
3.24	the family member's child or other depe	ndent, making fina	ncial or legal arra	ngements for
3.25	the family member, attending counseling	, attending military	events or ceremon	nies, spending
3.26	time with the family member during a re	est and recuperation	1 leave or followin	ig return from
3.27	deployment, or making arrangements for	llowing the death o	of the military men	mber.
3.28	(b) For the purposes of this chapter,	a "military member	r" means a current	t or former
3.29	member of the United States armed force	es, including a me	mber of the Nation	nal Guard or
3.30	reserves, who, except for a deceased mi	litary member, is a	resident of the sta	ite and is a
3.31	family member of the employee taking	leave related to the	qualifying exigen	icy."
3.32	Page 9, delete subdivisions 30 and 3	1 and insert:		

4.1	"Subd. 30. Self-employed individual. "Self-employed individual" means a resident of
4.2	the state who, in one of the two taxable years preceding the current calendar year, derived
4.3	at least \$10,000 in net earnings from self-employment from an entity other than an S
4.4	corporation for the performance of services in this state.
4.5	Subd. 31. Self-employment premium base. "Self-employment premium base" means
4.6	the lesser of:
4.7	(1) a self-employed individual's estimated self-employment income for the calendar year
4.8	plus the individual's self-employment wages in the calendar year; or
4.9	(2) the maximum earnings subject to the FICA Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability
4.10	Insurance tax in the taxable year.
4.11	Subd. 32. Self-employment wages. "Self-employment wages" means the amount of
4.12	wages that a self-employed individual earned in the calendar year from an entity from which
4.13	the individual also received net earnings from self-employment.
4.14	Subd. 33. Serious health condition. (a) "Serious health condition" means an illness,
4.15	injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition that involves inpatient care as defined
4.16	in subdivision 24 or continuing treatment by a health care provider as defined in subdivision
4.17	<u>11.</u>
4.18	(b) "Incapacity" means inability to work, attend school, or perform other regular daily
4.19	activities due to the serious health condition, treatment therefore, or recovery therefrom.
4.20	(c) Treatment includes but is not limited to examinations to determine if a serious health
4.21	condition exists and evaluations of the condition. Treatment does not include routine physical
4.22	examinations, eye examinations, or dental examinations. A regimen of continuing treatment
4.23	includes, for example, a course of prescription medication or therapy requiring special
4.24	equipment to resolve or alleviate the health condition. A regimen of continuing treatment
4.25	that includes taking over-the-counter medications such as aspirin, antihistamines, or salves;
4.26	or bed-rest, drinking fluids, exercise, and other similar activities that can be initiated without
4.27	a visit to a health care provider, is not, by itself, sufficient to constitute a regimen of
4.28	continuing treatment for purposes of leave or benefits under this chapter.
4.29	(d) Conditions for which cosmetic treatments are administered, such as most treatments
4.30	for acne or plastic surgery, are not serious health conditions unless inpatient hospital care
4.31	is required or unless complications develop. Ordinarily, unless complications arise, the
4.32	common cold, the flu, earaches, upset stomach, minor ulcers, headaches other than migraine,
4.33	routine dental or orthodontia problems, periodontal disease, and the like are examples of

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5.1	conditions that do not meet the definition	on of a serious health	condition and do	o not qualify
5.2	for leave or benefits under this chapter.			
5.3	or removal of a cancerous growth are se			
5.4	conditions of this subdivision are met. N			
5.5	conditions if all of the conditions of this	s subdivision are me	<u>t.</u> "	
5.6	Page 9, after line 21, insert:		đ	
5.7	"Subd. 33. Taxable year. "Taxable y	year" has the meanin	g given in section	n 290.01,
5.8	subdivision 9."			2 2
5.9	Page 10, after line 20, insert:			
5.10	"(c) The commissioner must use the	rulemaking authori	ty under section 2	268B.02,
5.11	subdivision 3, to adopt rules regarding	what serious health o	conditions and ot	ner events are
5.12	prospectively presumed to constitute se	ven-day qualifying o	events under this	chapter."
5.13	Page 10, line 21, before " <u>An</u> " insert	" <u>(a)</u> "		
5.14	Page 10, after line 22, insert:			
5.15	"(b) An applicant is not eligible for b	enefits for any day f	or which the appl	icant received
5.16	benefits under chapter 176 or 268."			
5.17	Page 10, delete subdivision 7 and in	isert:		
5.18	"Subd. 7. Self-employed individual	applicant. To fulfill	the requirements	of this section,
5.19	a self-employed individual who has ele	cted and been appro	ved for coverage	under section
5.20	268B.011 must fulfill only the requirem	nents of subdivisions	s 3, 4, 5, and 6."	
5.21	Page 11, lines 17, 22, and 27, delete	e "qualified"		
5.22	Page 12, line 1, delete " <u>qualified</u> "		24	
5.23	Page 12, after line 16, insert:			
5.24	"(h) Certifications under paragraph	s (a) to (e) must be r	eviewed and sign	ed by a health
5.25	care provider with knowledge of the qu	alifying event assoc	viated with the lea	ive.
5.26	(i) For a leave taken on an intermitt	ent or reduced-sche	dule basis, based	on a serious
5.27	health condition of an applicant or app	licant's family mem	per, the certificati	on under this
5.28	subdivision must include an explanation	on of how such leave	would be medic	ally beneficial
5.29	to the individual with the serious health	h condition."		
5.30	Page 13, line 26, delete "send" and	insert " <u>serve</u> "		

5.31 Page 14, line 2, delete "<u>of the receipt</u>" and insert "<u>after service</u>"

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6.1	Page 14, line 30, delete everything a	fter "to" and inser	rt "12 weeks of b	enefits in a single
6.2	benefit year for leave related to one or r			0
6.3	Page 14, delete line 31			
6.4	Page 15, line 1, delete " <u>Any</u> " and in	sert "Except for a	claim for benefi	its for bonding
6.5	leave, any"			
6.6	Page 15, delete subdivisions 5 and 7	7		
6.7	Page 15, after line 28, insert:			
6.8	"Sec. 13. [268B.085] LEAVE.			
6.9	Subdivision 1. Right to leave. An e	mployee has a rig	ght to leave from	employment for
6.10	any day, or portion of a day, for which	the employee wou	uld be eligible fo	r benefits under
6.11	this chapter, regardless of whether the en	mployee actually a	applied for benef	its and regardless
6.12	of whether the employee is covered une	der a private plan	or the public pro	ogram under this
6.13	chapter.			
6.14	Subd. 2. Notice to employer. (a) If	the need for leave	is foreseeable, a	n employee must
6.15	provide the employer at least 30 days' a	idvance notice be	fore leave under	this chapter is to
6.16	begin. If 30 days' notice is not practicab	le because of a lac	ck of knowledge	of approximately
6.17	when leave will be required to begin, a	change in circum	istances, or a me	dical emergency,
6.18	notice must be given as soon as practic	able. Whether lea	ve is to be contin	nuous or is to be
6.19	taken intermittently or on a reduced sch	edule basis, notic	e need only be gi	ven one time, but
6.20	the employee must advise the employe	r as soon as practi	icable if dates of	scheduled leave
6.21	change or are extended, or were initiall	y unknown. In th	ose cases where	the employee is
6.22	required to provide at least 30 days' no	tice of foreseeable	e leave and does	not do so, the
6.23	employee must explain the reasons why	such notice was r	not practicable up	oon a request from
6.24	the employer for such information.			
6.25	(b) "As soon as practicable" means	as soon as both p	ossible and pract	tical, taking into
6.26	account all of the facts and circumstance	es in the individual	case. When an e	mployee becomes
6.27	aware of a need for leave under this ch	apter less than 30	days in advance	, it should be
6.28	practicable for the employee to provide	e notice of the nee	ed for leave eithe	r the same day or
6.29	the next day, unless the need for leave	is based on a med	lical emergency.	In all cases,
6.30	however, the determination of when an	employee could	practicably prov	ide notice must
6.31	take into account the individual facts a	nd circumstances	÷	
6.32	(c) An employee shall provide at le	ast verbal notice	sufficient to mak	te the employer
6.33	aware that the employee needs leave al	lowed under this	chapter and the a	anticipated timing

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7.1	and duration of the leave. An employer may require an employee giving notice of leave to
7.2	include a certification for the leave as described in section 268B.04, subdivision 2. Such
7.3	certification, if required by an employer, is timely when the employee delivers it as soon
7.4	as practicable given the circumstances requiring the need for leave, and the required contents
7.5	of the certification.
7.6	(d) An employer may require an employee to comply with the employer's usual and
7.7	customary notice and procedural requirements for requesting leave, absent unusual
7.8	circumstances or other circumstances caused by the reason for the employee's need for
7.9	leave. Leave under this chapter must not be delayed or denied where an employer's usual
7.10	and customary notice or procedural requirements require notice to be given sooner than set
7.11	forth in this subdivision.
7.12	(e) If an employer has failed to provide notice to the employee as required under section
7.13	268B.22, paragraph (a), (b), or (e), the employee is not required to comply with the notice
7.14	requirements of this subdivision.
7.15	Subd. 3. Bonding leave. Bonding leave taken under this chapter begins at a time requested
7.16	by the employee. Bonding leave must begin within 12 months of the birth, adoption, or
7.17	placement of a foster child, except that, in the case where the child must remain in the
7.18	hospital longer than the mother, the leave must begin within 12 months after the child leaves
7.19	the hospital.
7.20	Subd. 4. Intermittent or reduced leave schedule. (a) Leave under this chapter, based
7.21	on a serious health condition, may be taken intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule
7.22	if such leave would be medically beneficial to the individual with the serious health condition.
7.23	For all other leaves under this chapter, leave may be taken intermittently or on a reduced
7.24	leave schedule. Intermittent leave is leave taken in separate blocks of time due to a single,
7.25	seven-day qualifying event. A reduced leave schedule is a leave schedule that reduces an
7.26	employee's usual number of working hours per workweek or hours per workday.
7.27	(b) Leave taken intermittently or on a reduced schedule basis counts toward the
7.28	maximums described in section 268B.08, subdivision 3."
7.29	Page 16, delete subdivision 6 and insert:
7.30	"Subd. 6. Employee right to reinstatement. (a) On return from leave under this chapter,
7.31	an employee is entitled to be returned to the same position the employee held when leave
7.32	commenced or to an equivalent position with equivalent benefits, pay, and other terms and
7.33	conditions of employment. An employee is entitled to such reinstatement even if the

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8.1	employee has been replaced or the employee's position has been restructured to accommodate
8.2	the employee's absence.
8.3	(b)(1) An equivalent position is one that is virtually identical to the employee's former
8.4	position in terms of pay, benefits, and working conditions, including privileges, prerequisites,
8.5	and status. It must involve the same or substantially similar duties and responsibilities,
8.6	which must entail substantially equivalent skill, effort, responsibility, and authority.
8.7	(2) If an employee is no longer qualified for the position because of the employee's
8.8	inability to attend a necessary course, renew a license, fly a minimum number of hours, or
8.9	the like, as a result of the leave, the employee must be given a reasonable opportunity to
8.10	fulfill those conditions upon return from leave.
0.11	(a)(1) An amplexical is aptitled to any unconditional pay increases which may have
8.11	(c)(1) An employee is entitled to any unconditional pay increases which may have
8.12	occurred during the leave period, such as cost of living increases. Pay increases conditioned
8.13	upon seniority, length of service, or work performed must be granted in accordance with
8.14	the employer's policy or practice with respect to other employees on an equivalent leave
8.15	status for a reason that does not qualify for leave under this chapter. An employee is entitled
8.16	to be restored to a position with the same or equivalent pay premiums, such as a shift
8.17	differential. If an employee departed from a position averaging ten hours of overtime, and
8.18	corresponding overtime pay, each week an employee is ordinarily entitled to such a position
8.19	on return from leave under this chapter.
8.20	(2) Equivalent pay includes any bonus or payment, whether it is discretionary or
8.21	nondiscretionary, made to employees consistent with the provisions of clause (1). However,
8.22	if a bonus or other payment is based on the achievement of a specified goal such as hours
8.23	worked, products sold, or perfect attendance, and the employee has not met the goal due to
8.24	leave under this chapter, the payment may be denied, unless otherwise paid to employees
8.25	on an equivalent leave status for a reason that does not qualify for leave under this chapter.
8.26	(d) Benefits under this section include all benefits provided or made available to
8.27	employees by an employer, including group life insurance, health insurance, disability
8.28	insurance, sick leave, annual leave, educational benefits, and pensions, regardless of whether
8.29	such benefits are provided by a practice or written policy of an employer through an employee
8.30	benefit plan as defined in section 3(3) of United States Code, title 29, section 1002(3).
8.31	(1) At the end of an employee's leave under this chapter, benefits must be resumed in
8.32	the same manner and at the same levels as provided when the leave began, and subject to
8.33	any changes in benefit levels that may have taken place during the period of leave affecting
8.34	the entire workforce, unless otherwise elected by the employee. Upon return from a leave

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9.1	under this chapter, an employee cannot b	be required to requali	fy for any benefit	s the employee
9.2	enjoyed before leave began, including	family or dependent	coverages.	
9.3	(2) An employee may, but is not en	titled to, accrue any	additional benef	its or seniority
9.4	during a leave under this chapter. Bene	fits accrued at the ti	me leave began,	however, must
9.5	be available to an employee upon retur	n from leave.		
9.6	(3) With respect to pension and other	er retirement plans,	leave under this o	chapter must
9.7	not be treated as or counted toward a br	eak in service for pu	rposes of vesting	and eligibility
9.8	to participate. Also, if the plan requires	an employee to be	employed on a sp	pecific date in
9.9	order to be credited with a year of service	e for vesting, contrib	utions, or particip	ation purposes,
9.10	an employee on leave under this chapter	must be treated as e	mployed on that	late. However,
9.11	periods of leave under this chapter need	d not be treated as c	redited service for	r purposes of
9.12	benefit accrual, vesting, and eligibility	to participate.		
9.13	(4) Employees on leave under this of	chapter must be trea	ted as if they con	tinued to work
9.14	for purposes of changes to benefit plans	. Employees on leav	ve under this chap	oter are entitled
9.15	to changes in benefit plans, except those	e which may be depe	endent upon senio	ority or accrual
9.16	during the leave period, immediately u	pon return from leav	ve or to the same	extent they
9.17	would have qualified if no leave had be	een taken.		
9.18	(e) An equivalent position must have	ve substantially simi	lar duties, condit	ions,
9.19	responsibilities, privileges, and status a	s the employee's or	iginal position.	
9.20	(1) The employee must be reinstated	l to the same or a geo	graphically prox	imate worksite
9.21	from where the employee had previousl	y been employed. If	the employee's or	iginal worksite
9.22	has been closed, the employee is entitle	ed to the same rights	as if the employe	e had not been
9.23	on leave when the worksite closed.			
9.24	(2) The employee is ordinarily entit	tled to return to the	same shift or the	same or an
9.25	equivalent work schedule.			
9.26	(3) The employee must have the sa	me or an equivalent	opportunity for l	oonuses,
9.27	profit-sharing, and other similar discre	tionary and nondisc	retionary paymer	<u>its.</u>
9.28	(4) This chapter does not prohibit a	n employer from ac	commodating an	employee's
9.29	request to be restored to a different shi	ft, schedule, or posi	tion which better	suits the
9.30	employee's personal needs on return fro	om leave, or to offer	a promotion to a	better position.
9.31	However, an employee must not be inc	luced by the employ	ver to accept a dif	ferent position
9.32	against the employee's wishes.			

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10.1	(f) The requirement that an employee be restored	d to the same or ea	quivalent job with the
10.2	same or equivalent pay, benefits, and terms and con	ditions of employ	ment does not extend
10.3	to de minimis, intangible, or unmeasurable aspects	of the job.	
10.4	Subd. 7. Limitations on an employee's right to	o reinstatement.	An employee has no
10.5	greater right to reinstatement or to other benefits an	d conditions of er	nployment than if the
10.6	employee had been continuously employed during	the period of leav	e under this chapter.
10.7	An employer must be able to show that an employe	e would not other	wise have been
10.8	employed at the time reinstatement is requested in or	rder to deny restor	ration to employment.
10.9	(1) If an employee is laid off during the course α	of taking a leave u	under this chapter and
10.10	employment is terminated, the employer's responsi	bility to continue	the leave, maintain
10.11	group health plan benefits, and restore the employe	e cease at the time	e the employee is laid
10.12	off, provided the employer has no continuing oblig	ations under a col	lective bargaining

agreement or otherwise. An employer would have the burden of proving that an employee

10.14 would have been laid off during the period of leave under this chapter and, therefore, would

10.15 not be entitled to restoration. Restoration to a job slated for layoff when the employee's

10.16 original position would not meet the requirements of an equivalent position.

10.17 (2) If a shift has been eliminated or overtime has been decreased, an employee would
10.18 not be entitled to return to work that shift or the original overtime hours upon restoration.
10.19 However, if a position on, for example, a night shift has been filled by another employee,
10.20 the employee is entitled to return to the same shift on which employed before taking leave
10.21 under this chapter.

(3) If an employee was hired for a specific term or only to perform work on a discrete
 project, the employer has no obligation to restore the employee if the employment term or
 project is over and the employer would not otherwise have continued to employ the

10.25 employee."

10.26 Page 17, after line 5, insert:

10.27 "(d) Nothing in this section or section 268B.09 shall be construed to allow an employee
 10.28 to recover damages from an employer for the denial of benefits under this chapter by the
 10.29 department, unless the employer unlawfully interfered with the application for benefits

10.30 under section 268B.09, subdivision 2."

10.31 Page 17, delete section 14

10.32 Page 19, line 20, delete "an annual" and insert "a"

10.33 Page 19, line 21, delete everything after "to"

11.1	Page 19, line 22, delete everything before the period and insert "\$250 for employers
11.2	with fewer than 50 employees, \$500 for employers with 50 to 499 employees, and \$1,000
11.3	for employers with 500 or more employees. The employer must pay this fee (1) upon initial
11.4	application for private plan approval and (2) any time the employer applies to amend the
11.5	private plan"
11.6	Page 20, delete subdivision 7 and insert:
11.7	"Subd. 7. Appeals. An employer may appeal any adverse action regarding that employer's
11.8	private plan to the commissioner, in a manner specified by the commissioner."
11.9	Page 21, line 10, after "appeal" insert "to the commissioner" and delete "in section
11.10	268B.07" and insert "by the commissioner under subdivision 7."
11.11	Page 21, line 27, delete "in section"
11.12	Page 21, line 28, delete "268B.07" and insert "by the commissioner under subdivision
11.13	<u>7</u> "
11.14	Page 22, delete section 16 and insert:
11.15	"Sec. 16. [268B.11] SELF-EMPLOYED ELECTION OF COVERAGE.
1 1.110	
11.16	Subdivision 1. Election of coverage. (a) A self-employed individual may file with the
11.17	commissioner by electronic transmission in a format prescribed by the commissioner an
11.17 11.18	commissioner by electronic transmission in a format prescribed by the commissioner an application to be eligible for benefits under this chapter for a period not less than 104
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12.1	Subd. 2. Application A self-employed individual who applies for coverage under this
12.2	section must provide the commissioner with (1) the amount of the individual's net earnings
12.3	from self-employment, if any, from the two most recent taxable years and all tax documents
12.4	necessary to prove the accuracy of the amounts reported and (2) any other documentation
12.5	the commissioner requires. A self-employed individual who is covered under this chapter
12.6	must annually provide the commissioner with the amount of the individual's net earnings
12.7	from self-employment within 30 days of filing a federal income tax return.
12.8	Subd. 3. Premium. A self-employed individual who elects to receive coverage under
12.9	this chapter must annually pay a premium equal to one-half the percentage in section
12.10	268B.12, subdivision 4, clause (1), times the lesser of:
12.11	(1) the individual's self-employment premium base; or
12.12	(2) the maximum earnings subject to the FICA Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability
12.13	Insurance tax.
12.14	Subd. 4. Benefits. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, a self-employed individual
12.15	who has applied to and been approved for coverage by the commissioner under this section
12.16	is entitled to benefits on the same basis as an employee under this chapter, except that a
12.17	self-employed individual's weekly benefit amount under section 268B.08, subdivision 1,
12.18	must calculated as a percentage of the self-employed individual's self-employment premium
12.19	base, rather than wages."
12.20	Page 22, line 23, delete everything after "Each" and insert "person or entity required, or
12.21	who elected, to register for a tax account under sections 268.042, 268.045, and 268.046"
12.22	Page 22, line 24, delete "insurance program"
12.23	Page 22, line 27, delete everything after "Each" and insert "person or entity required, or
12.24	who elected, to register for a reimbursable account under sections 268.042, 268.045, and
12.25	268.046 must pay"
12.26	Page 22, line 30, after "section" insert "177.24, subdivision 4, or" and after "181.06"
12.27	insert ", subdivision 1"
12.28	Page 23, delete lines 3 to 4 and insert "section must not cause an employee's wage, after
12.29	the deduction, to fall below the rate required to be paid to the worker by law, including any
12.30	applicable statute, regulation, rule, ordinance, government resolution or policy, contract, or
12.31	other legal authority, whichever rate of pay is greater."

12.32 Page 28, line 20, delete "<u>MEDIATION AND</u>" and before the period insert "<u>SERVICES</u>"

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13.2	may" and delete "mediation and"			
13.3	Page 28, line 22, delete "applicants	" and insert " <u>em</u>	ployees" and delete	e "benefits under
13.4	this chapter" and insert "alleged violations of employment protections identified in section			
13.5	<u>268B.09</u> " and delete everything after t	he period		e.
13.6	Page 28, delete lines 23 and 24			
13.7	Page 30, line 2, delete "self-employed" and insert "independent contractors"			
13.8	Page 30, line 3, delete "individuals	H		
13.9	Page 30, lines 20 and 27, delete "se	elf-employed ind	ividual" and insert	"independent
13.10	contractor"			
13.11	Page 31, line 12, delete the third "	or"		
13.12	Page 31, line 15, delete the period	and insert " <u>; or</u> "	8	
13.13	Page 31, after line 15, insert:			
13.14	"(3) limit the parties to a collective	bargaining agree	ment from bargain	ing and agreeing
13.15	with respect to leave benefits and relat	ted procedures ar	nd employee protec	tions that meet
13.16	or exceed, and do not otherwise confli	ct with, the minin	num standards and	l requirements in
13.17	this chapter."			
13.18	Renumber the subdivisions in sequ	ience		
13.19	Renumber the sections in sequence	e and correct the	internal references	
13.20	With the recommendation that whe	en so amended th	e bill be returned t	o the Committee
13.21	on Ways and Means.			

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This Division action taken March 11, 2019