

commissioner of revenue to establish MinnesotaCare provider tax rates for calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, based on determinations made by the commissioner of finance regarding the balance of the health care access fund. Requires the commissioner of finance, on September 1, 2001 and each September 1 thereafter, to determine the balance of the health care access fund for the fiscal year beginning the following July 1. If there is no deficit projected, no taxes shall be imposed for the calendar year that begins immediately following that September. If a deficit is projected, the tax shall be reinstated in one-quarter of one percent increments up to two percent, using the lowest of the rates necessary to eliminate the deficit. Requires the commissioner of revenue to publish each October 1 the amount of the tax for the following calendar year. In determining the balance of the fund, requires the commissioner of finance to take into account any revenues resulting from an increase in the one percent premium tax.

- 4 **Health maintenance organizations, nonprofit health service plan corporations, and community integrated service networks.** Amends § 297I.05, subd. 5. Requires the commissioner of finance to establish nonprofit health plan company premium tax rates for calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, based on determinations made by the commissioner regarding the balance of the health care access fund. Requires the commissioner, on September 1, 2002 and each September 1 thereafter, to determine the balance of the health care access fund for the fiscal year beginning the following July 1. If there is no deficit projected, no tax shall be imposed for the calendar year that begins immediately following that September. If a deficit is projected, the tax shall be reinstated in one-quarter of one percent increments up to one percent, using the lowest of the rates necessary to eliminate the deficit. Requires the commissioner of finance to publish each October 1 the amount of the tax for the following calendar year. In determining the balance of the fund, requires the commissioner of finance to not count revenues resulting from any increases of the MinnesotaCare provider tax.