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Overview

This bill provides an exemption from the MinnesotaCare insurance barriers for individuals who apply for the program upon termination of continuation coverage.

Section

- Exemption for persons with continuation coverage. Amends § 256L.07, by adding subd. 5. (a) Exempts individuals who apply for MinnesotaCare upon termination of federal or state continuation coverage from: (1) the requirement in subdivision 2 that applicants not have employer-subsidized coverage and not have had access to such coverage through a current employer for 18 months prior to application; and (2) the requirement in subdivision 3 that applicants not have other health coverage, and not have had other health coverage for four months prior to application.
 - (b) Defines "termination from continuation coverage" as involuntary termination for any reason, other than nonpayment of premium. States that involuntary termination includes termination of coverage due to reaching the end of the maximum period for continuation coverage.