

to the legislature as to any recommended policy changes the state should consider.

Subd. 5. Collection of data for assessment and eligibility determination.

Authorizes the commissioner to collect certain data from providers, group purchasers, and others to assess the adoption, effective use, and interoperability of e-health records for a variety of listed purposes.

Subd. 6. Data classification. Classifies data collected under this section as private data on individuals or nonpublic data under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13.02. Prohibits the collection of data and the publication of analyses that identify individuals.

- 2 **Electronic health record system revolving account and loan program.** Amends §62J.496. Modifies existing loan program to align with the requirements for the federal loan program.
- 3 **Definitions.** Amends § 62J.497, subd. 1. Adds a definition of “backward compatible” and modifies the definitions of “e-prescribing” and “NCPDP SCRIPT Standard.”
- 4 **Requirements for electronic prescribing.** Amends § 62J.497, subd. 2. Modifies the requirements for e-prescribing.
- 5 **Developing technology standards and tools.** Requires the commissioner of health, in consultation with certain others, to study and make recommendations as to the following:
 - Feasibility and barriers to establishing a single, standardized system for all group purchasers for certain health care transactions;
 - Possible technologies related to the e-prescribing requirements specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 62J.497;
 - Ensuring use of technologies by providers and group purchasers is consistent with national standards;
 - Readiness of providers and group purchasers to implement appropriate technologies, and;
 - Prioritizing implementation of specific technologies in relation to provider and health plan efforts to meet certain electronic transaction requirements.