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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to human services; providing limited medical assistance coverage for
1.3 individuals eligible for Medicare Part D; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006,
1.4 section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.0625, is amended by adding a
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 13i. Medicare Part D. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 13, paragraph (d),
1.9 for recipients who are enrolled in a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan or Medicare
1.10 Advantage special needs plan, medical assistance covers the following:

1.11 (1) co-payments which the recipient is responsible for under a Medicare Part D
1.12 prescription drug plan or Medicare Advantage special needs plan, once the recipient has
1.13 paid \$12 per month in prescription drug co-payments, in accordance with the requirements
1.14 of the plan; and

1.15 (2) any prescription drug that is not covered by the Medicare Part D prescription
1.16 drug plan or Medicare Advantage special needs plan in which the recipient is enrolled
1.17 but only after a determination has been made by the Board on Aging that the recipient is
1.18 enrolled in the plan that provides the most comprehensive prescription drug coverage in
1.19 terms of the recipient's prescription drug needs.

1.20 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision 13, paragraph (d), for recipients who are eligible for
1.21 Medicare Part D but who are awaiting enrollment into a Medicare Part D prescription drug
1.22 plan or Medicare Advantage special needs plan, medical assistance covers prescription
1.23 drugs as required under subdivision 13, paragraph (a), for a period of 60 days beginning
1.24 the date the Medicare Part D application was submitted.

- 2.1 (c) Medical assistance coverage under paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be provided in
- 2.2 accordance with the requirements of subdivisions 13 to 13h.