

1.1 **Senator Wiklund from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which**
1.2 **was referred**

1.3 **S.F. No. 1491:** A bill for an act relating to insurance; providing for network adequacy;
1.4 requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 62K.10, subdivision 4;
1.5 62Q.096; 62Q.47.

1.6 Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

1.7 Page 2, delete line 15 and insert "conditions or physical disabilities or mental illness; or
1.8 (iii) persons with limited English proficiency and persons from underserved communities;"

1.9 Page 2, after line 19, insert:

1.10 "**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025, and applies to health
1.11 plans offered, issued, or renewed on or after that date."

1.12 Page 3, line 4, after "requirements" insert ". For purposes of credentialing under this
1.13 paragraph, a health plan company may waive credentialing requirements that are not directly
1.14 related to quality of care in order to ensure patient access to providers from underserved
1.15 communities or to providers in rural areas"

1.16 Page 3, line 5, delete "and"

1.17 Page 3, line 6, after the period, insert "The contract shall include payment rates that are
1.18 usual and customary for the services provided;"

1.19 Page 3, after line 6, insert:

1.20 "(4) is accepting new patients; and

1.21 (5) is not already under a contract with the health plan company under a separate tax
1.22 identification number, or if already under a contract with the health plan company, has
1.23 provided notice to the health plan company of termination of the existing contract."

1.24 Page 3, after line 13, insert:

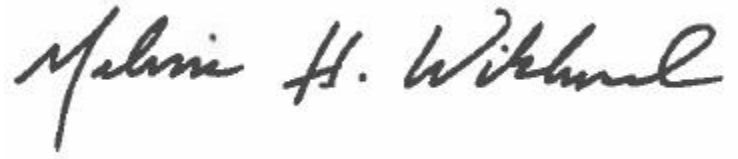
1.25 "**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023."

1.26 Page 6, line 2, delete the first comma and insert a semicolon

1.27 Page 6, delete line 3 and insert "or physical disabilities or mental illness; or persons with
1.28 limited English proficiency and persons from underserved communities;"

1.29 And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce
1.30 and Consumer Protection. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melvin H. Wickham". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

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(Committee Chair

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(of Committee recommendation)