

1.1 Senator moves to amend the delete-everything amendment (SCS4699A-2)
1.2 to S.F. No. 4699 as follows:

1.3 Page 26, after line 3, insert:

1.4 "Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256B.0625, subdivision 54, is amended to
1.5 read:

1.6 Subd. 54. **Services provided in birth centers.** (a) Medical assistance covers services
1.7 provided in a licensed birth center by a licensed health professional if the service would
1.8 otherwise be covered if provided in a hospital.

1.9 (b) Facility services for both mother and baby provided by a birth center shall be paid
1.10 at the lower of billed charges or 70 percent of the statewide average for a facility payment
1.11 rate made to a hospital for an uncomplicated vaginal birth as determined using the most
1.12 recent calendar year for which complete claims data is available. If a recipient is transported
1.13 from a birth center to a hospital prior to the delivery, the payment for facility services to
1.14 the birth center shall be the lower of billed charges or 15 percent of the average facility
1.15 payment made to a hospital for the services provided for an uncomplicated vaginal delivery
1.16 as determined using the most recent calendar year for which complete claims data is available.

1.17 (c) ~~Nursery~~ Newborn care services provided by a birth center shall be paid the lower of
1.18 billed charges or 70 percent of the statewide average for ~~a payment rate~~ newborn facility
1.19 fees paid to a hospital for nursery care as determined by using the most recent calendar year
1.20 for which complete claims data is available.

1.21 (d) Professional services provided by traditional midwives licensed under chapter 147D
1.22 shall be paid at the lower of billed charges or 100 percent of the rate paid to a physician
1.23 performing the same services. If a recipient is transported from a birth center to a hospital
1.24 prior to the delivery, a licensed traditional midwife who does not perform the delivery may
1.25 not bill for any delivery services. Services are not covered if provided by an unlicensed
1.26 traditional midwife.

1.27 (e) The commissioner shall apply for any necessary waivers from the Centers for
1.28 Medicare and Medicaid Services to allow birth centers and birth center providers to be
1.29 reimbursed."

1.30 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references