

Senator Klein from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred

S.F. No. 974: A bill for an act relating to health insurance; requiring health plans to cover power standing systems for wheelchairs; requiring the commissioner of commerce to defray the cost of coverage of power standing systems; requiring coverage of power standing systems for wheelchairs in medical assistance and MinnesotaCare; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

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

Page 1, line 11, delete "recommended" and insert "determined by a provider licensed in this state to be medically necessary" and delete everything after "insured" and insert "to complete activities of daily living or rehabilitation,"

Page 1, line 12, delete everything before "for"

Page 2, line 27, before "Medical" insert "(a) Medical assistance covers power standing systems, as defined in section 62Q.667. (b)"

Page 2, line 30, after "would" insert ": (1)"

Page 2, line 31, before the period, insert "; or (2) result in a lower level of coverage or reduced access to coverage for medical assistance enrollees"

Page 3, delete section 3 and insert:

"Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Defrayal of costs.** (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of commerce for the estimated amount of defrayal costs for mandated coverage of power standing systems under Minnesota Statutes, section 62Q.667. The base for this appropriation is \$..... in 2028.

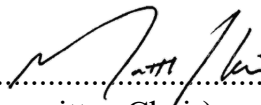
(b) \$..... in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of commerce for administrative costs to implement mandated coverage of power standing systems under Minnesota Statutes, section 62Q.667. The base for this appropriation is \$..... in 2028.

Subd. 2. **Medical assistance.** \$..... in fiscal year 2026 and \$..... in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for medical assistance coverage of power standing systems under Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.0625, subdivision 77. The base for this appropriation is \$..... in fiscal year 2028.

Subd. 3. **MinnesotaCare.** \$..... in fiscal year 2026 and \$..... in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for MinnesotaCare

2.1 coverage of power standing systems under Minnesota Statutes, section 256L.03, subdivision
2.2 1, and as set forth in Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.0625, subdivision 77. The base for
2.3 this appropriation is \$..... in fiscal year 2028."

2.4 And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health
2.5 and Human Services. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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(Committee Chair)

2.8 March 6, 2025.....
2.9 (Date of Committee recommendation)