



S.F. No. 1599 – Modifying emergency mental health services and eliminating mobile crisis intervention co-payments, coinsurance, and deductibles

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Section 1 (amends Minn. Stat. § 245.469; Emergency Services) modifies emergency services within the Adult Mental Health Act.

Subdivision 1 states that clients must not be charged for emergency services provided and that emergency service providers must meet the provider entity standards for crisis services under section 256B.0624, subdivision 4. Removes the requirement that providers not delay the provision of services to a client because of a client's unwillingness or inability to pay.

Subdivision 2 extends the requirement that service providers of emergency services provide immediate direct access to a mental health professional during regular business hours to children with mental illness.

Subdivision 3 removes the requirement that the commissioner of human services develop a phone number to route calls to crisis services and instead requires the commissioner to promote the 988 Lifeline.

Section 2 (amends Minn. Stat. § 256L.03, subdivision 5; Cost-sharing) prohibits co-payments, coinsurance, and deductibles from applying to mobile crisis intervention.

Section 3 (Appropriation; Mobile Crisis Grants) contains a blank appropriation in fiscal years 2026 and 2027 for mobile crisis grants and allows funds to be used by mobile crisis teams to purchase and renovate vehicles to provide protected transport.

