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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; establishing a women's heart health program; appropriating
1.3 money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

1.5 Section 1. **[144.942] WOMEN'S HEART HEALTH PROGRAM.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The commissioner of health shall develop and
1.7 implement a women's heart health program to provide heart disease risk screening to
1.8 uninsured and underinsured women.

1.9 Subd. 2. **Services.** Under this program, the commissioner must contract with health
1.10 care clinics to provide heart disease risk screenings to eligible women. The clinics may
1.11 also provide follow-up services to women found to be at risk for heart disease.

1.12 Subd. 3. **Eligibility.** To be eligible for screening under this program, an applicant
1.13 must:

1.14 (1) be between the ages of 40 and 64 years;

1.15 (2) receive breast and cervical cancer screening services under the Department of
1.16 Health's SAGE program;

1.17 (3) be uninsured, or have insurance that does not cover heart disease risk screenings;
1.18 and

1.19 (4) have a gross family income at or below 250 percent of the federal poverty level.

1.20 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.21 \$750,000 each year is appropriated for fiscal years 2010 and 2011 from the general
1.22 fund to the commissioner of health for the women's heart health program established in
1.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 144.942.