

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 191, the first engrossment, as follows:

1.2 Page 11, delete section 6, and insert:

1.3 "Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 626.556, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.4 to read:

1.5 Subd. 7a. **Guidance for screening reports.** (a) Child protection staff, supervisors,
1.6 and others involved in child protection screening shall follow the guidance provided
1.7 in the child maltreatment screening guidelines issued by the commissioner of human
1.8 services and, when notified by the commissioner, shall immediately implement updated
1.9 procedures and protocols.

1.10 (b) In consultation with the county attorney, the county social service agency may
1.11 elect to adopt a standard consistent with state law that permits the county to accept reports
1.12 that are not required to be screened-in under the child maltreatment screening guidelines."

1.13 Page 21, delete section 11, and insert:

1.14 "Sec. 11. **INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMISSIONER; SCREENING GUIDELINES.**

1.15 (a) No later than August 1, 2015, the commissioner of human services shall
1.16 update the child maltreatment screening guidelines to require agencies to consider prior
1.17 screened-out reports when determining whether a new report will be screened out or will
1.18 be accepted for investigation or assessment. The updated guidelines must emphasize that
1.19 intervention and prevention efforts are to focus on child safety and the ongoing risk of child
1.20 abuse or neglect and that the health and safety of children are of paramount concern. The
1.21 commissioner must consult with county attorneys while developing the updated guidelines.

1.22 (b) No later than September 30, 2015, the commissioner shall publish and distribute
1.23 the updated guidelines and ensure that all agency staff have received training on the
1.24 updated guidelines.

1.25 (c) Agency staff must implement the guidelines on October 1, 2015."