

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2499 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF SINGLE-PAYER
1.4 HEALTH CARE SYSTEM.

1.5 (a) The legislature of the state of Minnesota makes the following findings regarding the
1.6 negative impacts a single-payer health care system would have on the availability of health
1.7 care to patients in Minnesota and on Minnesota's economy.

1.8 (b) Historically, government programs become large and complex over time and do not
1.9 operate in a lean and efficient manner.

1.10 (c) Government-operated health care programs inadequately reimburse physicians and
1.11 other health care providers for the services they provide to patients. Further expansion of
1.12 government-operated health care programs would drive health care providers out of business
1.13 and further restrict patient access to health care.

1.14 (d) In addition to driving health care providers out of business, inadequate reimbursement
1.15 from government-operated health care programs also prevents hospitals from investing in
1.16 new health care technologies or trying new, innovative therapies in patient care.

1.17 (e) Patients in greater Minnesota would be disproportionately impacted by these negative
1.18 impacts of inadequate reimbursement rates.

1.19 (f) Establishment of a single-payer health care system in Minnesota would lead to
1.20 rationing of health care and long waiting times for appointments with health care providers,
1.21 as experienced by patients in other countries like Canada and the United Kingdom.

2.1 (g) Rationing of health care and long waiting times for appointments would create a
2.2 two-tiered health care system in which the wealthy would be able to purchase additional
2.3 care and receive needed treatment in a timely way.

2.4 (h) A single-payer health care system would be prohibitively expensive to the state of
2.5 Minnesota. An analysis recently conducted in California found that establishment of such
2.6 a health care system in that state would cost over \$400 billion each year.

2.7 (i) The additional taxes required to fund such a health care system would cripple
2.8 Minnesota's economy.

2.9 (j) Therefore, the legislature finds that establishment of a single-payer health care system
2.10 is not in the best interest of Minnesota patients or the state as a whole."

2.11 Amend the title accordingly