MEASURE: CARRIER: HB 2946 A Rep. Maurer

REVENUE: No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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Action:	Do Pass as Amended, Be Printed Engrossed, and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the
	Committee on Ways and Means
Vote:	8 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Bonamici, Bruun, Cannon, Flores, Gelser, Kotek, Maurer, Greenlick
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Richardson
Prepared By:	Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/14 (Access Sub), 4/13 (Full)

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs Department of Human Services (DHS) to seek approval from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to operate a demonstration project to test alternative health care delivery systems through one or more pilot programs. Specifies components to be included in pilot programs. Sunsets January 2, 2012.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Computerized Health Access Medical Practice (CHAMP), public/private collaboration
- CHAMP project consists of a multi-stage clinical trial
- Factors driving the need for change
- Potential fiscal impact
- Goals of the CHAMP study
- Proposed amendments
- CMS waiver approval process and the impacts
- Reason for modifying sunset date

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Deletes the requirement that DHS test one or more pilot programs. Directs DHS to seek approval from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to operate a demonstration project to test alternative health care delivery systems through one or more pilot programs. Changes the sunset date to January 2, 2012.

BACKGROUND: Medical care delivery is classified into:

- *Primary care* medical services are provided by physicians or other health professionals who has first contact with a patient seeking medical treatment or care
- *Secondary care* medical services are provided by medical specialists in their offices or clinics or at local community hospitals for a patient referred by a primary care provider who first diagnosed or treated the patient; referrals are made for those patients who required the expertise or procedures performed by specialists
- *Tertiary care* medical services are provided by specialist hospitals or regional centers equipped with diagnostic and treatment facilities not generally available at local hospitals

Computer Health Access Medical Practice (CHAMP) uses teams of health providers to care for more people and is aided by support technology. The goals of the CHAMP study are to reduce costs, enhance outcome quality, test customer service experience and test the utility of decision-support software. Additionally, the study will compare against standard practices, determine optimal composition of the teams, and determine the size of patient panels.