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Introduction and first reading Referred to Health and Human Services

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to human services; requiring rebasing of dental payment rates under medical assistance and MinnesotaCare; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.76, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.76, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. Rebasing of dental payment rates. Beginning January 1, 2026, and every three years thereafter, the commissioner must rebase payment rates for dental services. The total aggregate expenditures for the initial rebasing must not exceed the total amount spent as calculated using the payment methods specified in subdivision 2, adjusted by the change in the Medical Economic Index (MEI) between midyear of 2024 and midyear of 2026. For each subsequent rebasing, the total aggregate expenditures must not exceed the total amount spent as calculated using the payment methods specified in subdivision 2, adjusted by the change in the MEI between the midpoint of the base year and the midpoint of the year for which rebasing is effective. The base year used for each rebasing must be the calendar year that is two years prior to the effective date of the rebasing. This section does not apply to federally qualified health centers, rural health centers, state-operated dental clinics, or Indian health centers.

Section 1.