



## WEEKLY SESSION UPDATE

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### **Income tax subtraction for charity care bill moves forward**

[HF 156](#) (Gruenhagen), a bill that would allow for an income tax subtraction for charity health care provided by medical professionals, was heard in the Health and Human Services Reform committee late last week. The bill was passed and re-referred to the Taxes committee. We will keep you apprised of any updates

### **MDH Adverse Health Events report released**

For the 13<sup>th</sup> year annually, the Minnesota Department of Health released its Adverse Health Events report as a condition of its nation-leading hospital and ambulatory surgical center safety program...In all, there was a total of 336 adverse health events that happened within hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers reported to MDH in the 2015-2016 reporting period. The same as in previous years, falls and pressure ulcers were the most commonly reported specific events, accounting for 60 percent of all events reported. It was also found within the report amongst other incidents that fall-related deaths hit their lowest casualty rate since 2011, neonatal death or serious injury during labor or delivery in a low-risk pregnancy declined to just two occasions and that suicides and attempted suicide or self-harm saw zero deaths for the first time since 2011. **REPORT:** <http://bit.ly/2kYL3zT>