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Section

- 1 Eligibility for diversionary work program.** Amends § 256J.95, subd. 3. Makes certain refugees and asylees who meet certain requirements exempt from participating in the diversionary work program and allows them to enroll directly into the MFIP program. Refugees must be given the option of being assigned to an agency that has employees who are familiar with their culture, speak their language, and have years of experience in assisting refugees in finding employment. If a case manager determines that a refugee or asylee has English language skills above a certain level, the case manager may enroll the refugee in the diversionary work program. Allows refugees to be referred to the federal refugee employment programs. Makes this section effective the day following final enactment.