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Overview

This bill clarifies a 2007 law that required local county agencies to certify disability waiver providers of certain services to have health and safety standards, policies, and procedures in place prior to contracting with them for services.

Section

- **Title 3 funding.** Amends § 256.9752, by adding a subdivision. Prohibits certain funding allocations to congregate dining and home delivery service providers from being reduced based on the amount of voluntary contributions received.
- Medical assistance reimbursement. Amends § 256B.49, subd. 16a. Removes adult day care providers from this process. Clarifies that not all methods of demonstrating the capacity to meet basic health, safety, and protection standards are required of all providers. Adds child foster care services to the list of services. Removes language certifying that a provider can meet all of an individual's needs in their ISP. Modifies the provider review from an annual review to a biennial review. Transfers the local agency requirement to certify providers to the commissioner. Adds safe medication management and administration to the list of items child foster care providers must have policies and procedures to govern.
- **Continuing care grants.** Amends Laws 2007, ch. 147, art. 19, sec. 3, subd. 8. Modifies senior nutrition appropriation rider.