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Overview

This bill increases the MFIP transitional standard, adds to the list of participants eligible for a hardship extension, modifies minimum employment requirements, removes the definition of "employment," removes "unpaid work experience" from a list of authorized work activities under the MFIP program, and repeals the MFIP family cap and the subsidized housing penalty.

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- **MFIP transitional standard.** Amends § 256J.24, subd. 5. Adds paragraph (b), which requires the commissioner to increase the transitional standard by 10 percent beginning July 1, 2008, to be distributed to the cash portion of the grant.
- Hard-to-employ participants. Amends § 256J.425, subd. 3. Adds to the list of participants who are eligible to receive a hardship extension certain specified participants who are complying with an employment plan tailored to recognize the special circumstances of the caregivers and family, including limitations due to illness or disability, and caregiving needs.
- **Employed participants.** Amends § 256J.425, subd. 4. Modifies minimum employment requirements and removes the definition of employment. Makes technical changes.
- **Status of disqualified participants.** Amends § 256J.425, subd. 7. Changes a cross-reference related to changes in section 6 of this bill.
- **Participants not complying with program requirements.** Amends § 256J.46, subd. 1. Changes a cross-reference related to changes in section 6 of this bill.
- **6** Work activity. Amends § 256J.49, subd. 13. Removes "unpaid work experience" from the

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list of authorized work activities. Makes technical changes.

- **Length of program.** Amends § 256J.53, subd. 1. Changes a cross-reference related to changes in section 6 of this bill.
- **8 Limitations on certain work activities.** Amends § 256J.95, subd. 15. Changes a cross-reference related to changes in section 6 of this bill.
- **Repealer**. Repeals §§ 256J.24, subdivision 6 (MFIP family cap) and 256J.37, subdivision 3a (rental subsidies; unearned income).