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Overview

This bill permits an increased capacity for adult foster care homes.

Section

- Adult foster care license capacity. Amends § 245A.11, subd. 2a. Permits the commissioner to issue a license to a facility with a five bed capacity if the facility meets the requirements in this subdivision. Allows the commissioner to issue a license for a fifth bed if this does not increase the overall capacity of licensed adult foster care beds in homes that are not the primary residence of the license holder over the capacity on July 1, 2009. Provides that this authority to issue a license for five bed capacity expires on June 30, 2011.
- **Revised per diem based on legislated rate reduction.** Amends § 256B.092, by adding subd. 5b. Provides that if there is a legislated rate reduction, then the commissioner may issue adult foster care licenses that permit a capacity of five adults. Requires the county agency to negotiate a revised per diem rate that results in an overall average per diem reduction for all residents of the home. Requires the provider to maintain, as much as possible, the services provided in the residence.
- Cost of services and supports. Amends § 256B.49, subd. 17. Adds paragraph (e). Provides that if there is a legislated rate reduction, then the commissioner may issue adult foster care licenses that permit a capacity of five adults. Requires the county agency to negotiate a revised per diem rate that results in an overall average per diem reduction for all residents of the home. Requires the provider to maintain, as much as possible, the services provided in the residence.
- **Waiver.** Requires the commissioner to seek federal approval and waiver amendments to allow adult foster homes provide residential services for up to five individuals.
- **Repealer.** Repeals § 256B.092, subd. 5a (increasing adult capacity to five persons).

Effective date. Provides an effective date of July 1, 2009. 6