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## Overview

This bill adds community health workers and community paramedics to the definition of licensed health care provider that is used for coverage of telemedicine by the Medical Assistance (MA) program. The bill also exempts certain telemedicine services provided to treat and control an infectious disease from the MA limit on coverage of telemedicine services to three services per enrollee per week. The changes to MA coverage also apply to MinnesotaCare, since that program covers the services reimbursed by MA, unless otherwise specified.

## Section

**1 Telemedicine services.** Amends § 256B.0625, subd. 3b. Provides an exception to the MA limit on telemedicine services of three services per enrollee per calendar week, if the telemedicine services are: (1) provided by the licensed health care provider for the treatment and control of an infectious disease; and (2) provided in a manner consistent with the recommendations and best practices specified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the commissioner of health. Adds community health workers and community paramedics to the list of licensed health care providers eligible to provide telemedicine services under MA.