Overview

This bill repeals the health care provider taxes, effective July 1, 1999. The bill does not specify how the MinnesotaCare programs will be funded after the repeal.

1. **Conforming change.** Provides that references to the provider taxes in health care cost containment chapter are tied to the 1998 statutes, since the bill repeals the provider taxes.

2. **Conforming change.** Adds a definition of staff model health plan company, since the cross reference to the definition in the provider tax is repealed by the bill.

3. **Conforming change.** Eliminates the requirement that various health licensing boards assist the Commissioner of Revenue in activities related to the provider tax, since the bill repeals the provider tax.

4. **Conforming change.** Eliminates failure to comply with the provider tax as grounds for discipline by various health licensing boards, since the bill repeals the provider tax.

5. **Conforming change.** Eliminates references to the health care provider taxes that are repealed.

6. **Conforming change.** Ties references to the health care provider taxes to the 1998 statutes, since these sections are repealed.

7. **Repealer.** Repeals the health care provider taxes, including the tax on hospitals, surgical centers, health care providers, and wholesale drugs.

8. **Effective date.** Provides the bill is effective July 1, 2000.