Overview

This bill authorizes the replacement of a 64-bed ICF/MR in Ramsey county, and establishes reimbursement rates for the new facility.

1 Authorization of the Lake Owasso project.

Subd. 1. Requires the commissioner of human services to authorize and grant a license to a new ICF/MR under the following circumstances:
   (1) the new facility replaces an existing 64-bed ICF/MR in Ramsey county;
   (2) the new facility is contiguous to the existing facility;
   (3) the new facility is comprised of no more than eight twin home style buildings;
   (4) licensed capacity does not exceed 64 beds; and
   (5) the existing facility is demolished.

Subd. 2. Specifies that the MA payment rate for the new facility is the higher of the rate specified in subdivision 3 or as otherwise provided by law.

Subd. 3. States that the new facility is to be considered a newly established facility for purposes of rate setting, and is eligible for the investment per bed limit and the interest expense limitation that apply to newly established facilities. Requires the facility's initial payment rate to be set according to rule, and exempts the facility from the spend-up and high cost limits that are in § 256B.501, subd. 5b.