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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill requires the disclosure of an individual's known communicable disease to a licensed foster care provider before placement of the individual with the provider. The bill also requires a child's out-of-home placement plan to include information regarding the child's known communicable disease.

Section

- 1 **Disclosure of communicable disease to licensed foster care providers.** Adds § 245A.156.
 - Subd. 1. Licensed foster care.** Specifies that this section applies to county agencies, private child-placing agencies, and individuals who place children or adults with a known communicable disease in licensed foster care homes.
 - Subd. 2. Placing agency's or individual's duties.** Requires the county or private child-placing agency or individual to disclose to a foster care provider an adult's or a child's known communicable disease before placement. Specifies that the patient health records act (section 144.335) does not apply to the disclosure. Also requires the agency or individual to determine that the provider has the ability to provide care to the individual.
- 2 **Out-of-home placement; plan.** Amends § 260C.212, subd. 1. Requires a child's out-of-home placement plan to include information regarding the child's known medical problems, including any known communicable diseases.