

Subject Housing support

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Overview

This bill modifies certain rates under the housing support program.

The Housing Support Program (formerly known as group residential housing or GRH) is a state program that provides payments on behalf of eligible persons to pay for room and board and related housing services.

In order to be eligible for housing support payments, an individual must be determined eligible for residence in an approved setting and must: (1) be aged, blind, or over 18 years of age and disabled, and meet specified income and asset standards; (2) belong to certain categories of individuals potentially eligible for GA and meet specified income and asset standards; or (3) receive licensed residential crisis stabilization services and MA.

Summary

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1	Rate increases.
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Amends § 256I.05, subd. 1c. Allows the housing support room and board rate for an individual to be payable beyond an 18 calendar day absence period and to exceed 60 days in a calendar year for purposes of maintaining housing while temporarily absent due to residential behavioral health treatment or health care treatment that requires admission to certain facilities. Allows an agency to increase housing support rates by \$100 per month for residents in supportive housing establishments and prohibits participants in the supportive housing demonstration program from receiving this increase.

Provides a retroactive December 31, 2020, effective date for the absent day change and a July 1, 2021, effective date for the supportive housing establishment change.



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