

Subd. 6. RULES. The commissioner of public safety may adopt rules necessary to implement this section.

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An act relating to health; making nutrition data reporting discretionary rather than mandatory; governing the hazardous substance injury compensation board; restructuring the commissioner's authority to control activities of carriers of communicable diseases; regulating licensure and inspections of hospitals, nursing homes, life support transportation systems, and eating places; clarifying powers of the office of health facility complaints; changing certain duties of the interagency board for quality assurance; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 115B.28, subdivision 4; 144.0722; 144.092; 144.50, subdivisions 1 and 2; 144.653, subdivision 3; 144.802, subdivisions 3 and 4; 144A.10, subdivisions 1 and 2; 144A.16; 144A.31; 144A.53, subdivision 1; 145.881, subdivision 1; 145.882, subdivision 4; 157.01; 157.02; 157.04; 157.09; and 157.14; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 144 and 144A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 144.422; 144.424; 144.425; 144.471; 144.49, subdivision 5; 144.692; 144.801, subdivision 8; and 144.94.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 115B.28, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL AND SERVICES.** The board may appoint an executive director who is not a member of the board. The executive director is in the unclassified service. The commissioner of health shall provide staff assistance, administrative services, and office space under a contract with the board. The board shall reimburse the commissioner for the staff, services, and space provided. In order to perform its duties, the board may request information from the supervising officer of any state agency or state institution of higher education. When requesting health data as defined in section 13.38 or sections 144.67 to 144.69, the board must submit a written release signed by the subject of the data or, if the subject is deceased, a representative of the deceased, authorizing release of the data in whole or in part. The supervising officer shall comply with the board's request to the extent possible considering available agency or institution appropriations and may assign agency or institution employees to assist the board in performing its duties under sections 115B.25 to 115B.37.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.0722, is amended to read:

144.0722 **RESIDENT REIMBURSEMENT CLASSIFICATIONS; PROCEDURES FOR RECONSIDERATION.**

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Subdivision 1. **RESIDENT REIMBURSEMENT CLASSIFICATIONS.** The commissioner of health shall establish resident reimbursement classifications based upon the assessments of residents of nursing homes and boarding care homes conducted under sections 144.072 and 144.0721, or under rules established by the commissioner of human services under sections 256B.41 to 256B.48. The reimbursement classifications established by the commissioner must conform to the rules established by the commissioner of human services.

Subd. 2. **NOTICE OF RESIDENT REIMBURSEMENT CLASSIFICATION.** The commissioner of health shall notify each resident, and the nursing home or boarding care home in which the resident resides, of the reimbursement classification established under subdivision 1. The notice must inform the resident of the classification that was assigned, the opportunity to review the documentation supporting the classification, the opportunity to obtain clarification from the commissioner, and the opportunity to request a reconsideration of the classification. The notice of resident classification must be sent by first-class mail. The individual resident notices may be sent to the resident's nursing home or boarding care home for distribution to the resident. The nursing home or boarding care home is responsible for the distribution of the notice to each resident, to the person responsible for the payment of the resident's nursing home expenses, or to another person designated by the resident. This notice must be distributed within three working days after the facility's receipt of the notices from the department.

Subd. 3. **REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION.** The resident or the nursing home or boarding care home may request that the commissioner reconsider the assigned reimbursement classification. The request for reconsideration must be submitted in writing to the commissioner within ~~ten working~~ 30 days of the receipt of the notice of resident classification. For reconsideration requests submitted by or on behalf of the resident, the time period for submission of the request begins as of the date the resident or the resident's representative receives the classification notice. The request for reconsideration must include the name of the resident, the name and address of the facility in which the resident resides, the reasons for the reconsideration, the requested classification changes, and documentation supporting the requested classification. The documentation accompanying the reconsideration request is limited to documentation establishing that the needs of the resident at the time of the assessment resulting in the disputed classification justify a change of classification.

Subd. 3a. **ACCESS TO INFORMATION.** Upon written request, the nursing home or boarding care home must give the resident or the resident's representative a copy of the assessment form and the other documentation that was given to the department to support the assessment findings. The nursing home or boarding care home shall also provide access to and a copy of other information from the resident's record that has been requested by or on behalf of the resident to support a resident's reconsideration request. A copy of any requested material must be provided within three working days of receipt of a written request for the information. If a facility fails to provide the material within this time, it is subject to the issuance of a correction order and penalty assessment

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under sections 144.653 and 144A.10. Notwithstanding those sections, any correction order issued under this subdivision must require that the facility immediately comply with the request for information and that as of the date of the issuance of the correction order, the facility shall forfeit to the state a \$100 fine the first day of noncompliance, and an increase in the \$100 fine by \$50 increments for each day the noncompliance continues. For the purposes of this section, "representative" includes the resident's guardian or conservator, the person authorized to pay the nursing home expenses of the resident, a representative of the nursing home ombudsman's office whose assistance has been requested, or any other individual designated by the resident.

Subd. 3b. FACILITY'S REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION. In addition to the information required in subdivision 3, a reconsideration request from a nursing home or boarding care home must contain the following information: the date the resident reimbursement classification notices were received by the facility; the date the classification notices were distributed to the resident or the resident's representative; and a copy of a notice sent to the resident or to the resident's representative. This notice must tell the resident or the resident's representative that a reconsideration of the resident's classification is being requested, the reason for the request, that the resident's rate will change if the request is approved by the department and the extent of the change, that copies of the facility's request and supporting documentation are available for review, and that the resident also has the right to request a reconsideration. If the facility fails to provide this information with the reconsideration request, the request must be denied, and the facility may not make further reconsideration requests on that specific reimbursement classification.

Subd. 4. RECONSIDERATION. The commissioner's reconsideration must be made by individuals not involved in reviewing the assessment that established the disputed classification. The reconsideration must be based upon the initial assessment and upon the information provided to the commissioner under subdivision 3. If necessary for evaluating the reconsideration request, the commissioner may conduct on-site reviews. In its discretion, the commissioner may review the reimbursement classifications assigned to all residents in the facility. Within 15 working days of receiving the request for reconsideration, the commissioner shall affirm or modify the original resident classification. The original classification must be modified if the commissioner determines that the assessment resulting in the classification did not accurately reflect the needs of the resident at the time of the assessment. The resident and the nursing home or boarding care home shall be notified within five working days after the decision is made. The commissioner's decision under this subdivision is the final administrative decision of the agency.

Subd. 5. AUDIT AUTHORITY. The department of health may audit assessments of nursing home and boarding care home residents. These audits may be in addition to the assessments completed by the department under section 144.0721. The audits may be conducted at the facility, and the department may conduct the audits on an unannounced basis.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.092, is amended to read:

144.092 **COORDINATED NUTRITION DATA COLLECTION.**

The commissioner of health ~~shall~~ may develop and coordinate a reporting system to improve the state's ability to document inadequate nutrient and food intake of Minnesota's children and adults and to identify problems and determine the most appropriate strategies for improving inadequate nutritional status. The board on aging ~~shall~~ may develop a method to evaluate the nutritional status and requirements of the elderly in Minnesota. The commissioner of health and the board on aging ~~shall~~ may report to the legislature on each July 1, beginning in 1988, on the results of their investigation and their recommendations on the nutritional needs of Minnesotans.

Sec. 4. **[144.4171] SCOPE.**

Subdivision 1. AUTHORITY. Under the powers and duties assigned to the commissioner in sections 144.05 and 144.12, the commissioner shall proceed according to sections 4 to 19 with respect to persons who pose a health threat to others or who engage in noncompliant behavior.

Subd. 2. PREEMPTION. Sections 4 to 19 preempt and supersede any local ordinance or rule concerning persons who pose a health threat to others or who engage in noncompliant behavior.

Sec. 5. **[144.4172] DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. CARRIER. "Carrier" means a person who serves as a potential source of infection and who harbors or who the commissioner reasonably believes to be harboring a specific infectious agent whether or not there is present discernible clinical disease. In the absence of a medically accepted test, the commissioner may reasonably believe an individual to be a carrier only when a determination based upon specific facts justifies an inference that the individual harbors a specific infectious agent.

Subd. 2. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE. "Communicable disease" means a disease or condition that causes serious illness, serious disability, or death, the infectious agent of which may pass or be carried, directly or indirectly, from the body of one person to the body of another.

Subd. 3. COMMISSIONER. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.

Subd. 4. CONTACT NOTIFICATION PROGRAM. "Contact notification program" means an ongoing program established by the commissioner to encourage carriers of a communicable disease whose primary route of transmission is through an exchange of blood, semen, or vaginal secretions, such as treponema pallidum, neisseria gonorrhoea, chlamydia trachomatis, and human immunodeficiency virus, to identify others who may be at risk by virtue of contact with the carrier.

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Subd. 5. DIRECTLY TRANSMITTED. “Directly transmitted” means pre-dominately:

- (1) sexually transmitted;
- (2) blood-borne; or
- (3) transmitted through direct or intimate skin contact.

Subd. 6. HEALTH DIRECTIVE. “Health directive” means a written statement, or, in urgent circumstances, an oral statement followed by a written statement within three days, from the commissioner, or local board of health with delegated authority from the commissioner, issued to a carrier who constitutes a health threat to others. A health directive must be individual, specific, and cannot be issued to a class of persons. The directive may require a carrier to cooperate with health authorities in efforts to prevent or control transmission of communicable disease, including participation in education, counseling, or treatment programs, and undergoing medical tests necessary to verify the person’s carrier status. The written directive shall be served in the same manner as a summons and complaint under the Minnesota Rules of Civil Procedure.

Subd. 7. LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL. “Licensed health professional” means a person licensed in Minnesota to practice those professions described in section 214.01, subdivision 2.

Subd. 8. HEALTH THREAT TO OTHERS. “Health threat to others” means that a carrier demonstrates an inability or unwillingness to conduct himself or herself in such a manner as to not place others at risk of exposure to infection that causes serious illness, serious disability, or death. It includes one or more of the following:

(1) with respect to an indirectly transmitted communicable disease:

(a) behavior by a carrier which has been demonstrated epidemiologically to transmit or which evidences a careless disregard for the transmission of the disease to others; or

(b) a substantial likelihood that a carrier will transmit a communicable disease to others as is evidenced by a carrier’s past behavior, or by statements of a carrier that are credible indicators of a carrier’s intention.

(2) With respect to a directly transmitted communicable disease:

(a) repeated behavior by a carrier which has been demonstrated epidemiologically to transmit or which evidences a careless disregard for the transmission of the disease to others;

(b) a substantial likelihood that a carrier will repeatedly transmit a communicable disease to others as is evidenced by a carrier’s past behavior, or by statements of a carrier that are credible indicators of a carrier’s intention;

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(c) affirmative misrepresentation by a carrier of his or her carrier status prior to engaging in any behavior which has been demonstrated epidemiologically to transmit the disease; or

(d) the activities referenced in subdivision 8, clause (1) if the person whom the carrier places at risk is: (i) a minor, (ii) of diminished capacity by reason of mood altering chemicals, including alcohol, (iii) has been diagnosed as having significantly subaverage intellectual functioning, (iv) has an organic disorder of the brain or a psychiatric disorder of thought, mood, perception, orientation, or memory which substantially impairs judgment, behavior, reasoning or understanding; (v) adjudicated as an incompetent; or (vi) a vulnerable adult as defined in section 626.557.

(3) Violation by a carrier of any part of a court order issued pursuant to this chapter.

Subd. 9. INDIRECTLY TRANSMITTED. "Indirectly transmitted" means any transmission not defined by subdivision 5.

Subd. 10. NONCOMPLIANT BEHAVIOR. "Noncompliant behavior" means a failure or refusal by a carrier to comply with a health directive.

Subd. 11. RESPONDENT. "Respondent" means any person against whom an action is commenced under sections 4 to 19.

Sec. 6. [144.4173] CAUSE OF ACTION.

Subdivision 1. COMPLIANCE WITH DIRECTIVE. Failure or refusal of a carrier to comply with a health directive is grounds for proceeding under subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. COMMENCEMENT OF ACTION. The commissioner, or a local board of health with express delegated authority from the commissioner, may commence legal action against a carrier who is a health threat to others and, unless a court order is sought under section 15, who engages in noncompliant behavior, by filing with the district court in the county in which respondent resides, and serving upon respondent, a petition for relief and notice of hearing.

Sec. 7. [144.4174] STANDING.

Only the commissioner, or a local board of health, with express delegated authority from the commissioner, may commence an action under sections 4 to 19.

Sec. 8. [144.4175] REPORTING.

Subdivision 1. VOLUNTARY REPORTING. Any licensed health professional or other human services professional regulated by the state who has knowledge or reasonable cause to believe that a person is a health threat to others or has engaged in noncompliant behavior, as defined in section 5, may report that information to the commissioner.

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Subd. 2. LIABILITY FOR REPORTING. A licensed health professional or other human services professional regulated by the state who has knowledge or reasonable cause to believe that a person is a health threat to others or has engaged in noncompliant behavior, and who makes a report in good faith under subdivision 1, is not subject to liability for reporting in any civil, administrative, disciplinary, or criminal action.

Subd. 3. FALSIFIED REPORTS. Any person who knowingly or recklessly makes a false report under the provisions of this section shall be liable in a civil suit for any actual damages suffered by the person or persons so reported and for any punitive damages set by the court or jury.

Subd. 4. WAIVER OF PRIVILEGE. Any privilege otherwise created in section 595.02, clauses (d), (e), (g) and (j), with respect to persons who make a report under subdivision 1, is waived regarding any information about a carrier as a health threat to others or about a carrier's noncompliant behavior in any investigation or action under sections 4 to 19.

Sec. 9. [144.4176] PETITION; NOTICE.

Subdivision 1. PETITION. The petition must set forth the following:

(1) the grounds and underlying facts that demonstrate that the respondent is a health threat to others and, unless an emergency court order is sought under section 15, has engaged in noncompliant behavior;

(2) the petitioner's efforts to alleviate the health threat to others prior to the issuance of a health directive, unless an emergency court order is sought under section 15;

(3) the petitioner's efforts to issue the health directive to the respondent in person, unless an emergency court order is sought under section 15;

(4) the type of relief sought; and

(5) a request for a court hearing on the allegations contained in the petition.

Subd. 2. HEARING NOTICE. The notice must contain the following information:

(1) the time, date, and place of the hearing;

(2) respondent's right to appear at the hearing;

(3) respondent's right to present and cross-examine witnesses; and

(4) respondent's right to counsel, including the right, if indigent, to representation by counsel designated by the court or county of venue.

Sec. 10. [144.4177] TIME OF HEARING AND DUTIES OF COUNSEL.

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Subdivision 1. TIME OF HEARING. A hearing on the petition must be held before the district court in the county in which respondent resides as soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from service of the petition and hearing notice.

Subd. 2. DUTIES OF COUNSEL. In all proceedings under this section, counsel for the respondent shall (1) consult with the person prior to any hearing; (2) be given adequate time to prepare for all hearings; (3) continue to represent the person throughout any proceedings under this charge unless released as counsel by the court; and (4) be a vigorous advocate on behalf of the client.

Sec. 11. [144.4178] CRIMINAL IMMUNITY.

In accordance with section 609.09, subdivision 2, no person shall be excused in an action under sections 4 to 19 from giving testimony or producing any documents, books, records, or correspondence, tending to be self-incriminating; but the testimony or evidence, or other testimony or evidence derived from it, must not be used against the person in any criminal case, except for perjury committed in the testimony.

Sec. 12. [144.4179] STANDARD OF PROOF; EVIDENCE.

Subdivision 1. CLEAR AND CONVINCING. The commissioner must prove the allegations in the petition by clear and convincing evidence.

Subd. 2. ALL RELEVANT EVIDENCE. The court shall admit all reliable relevant evidence. Medical and epidemiologic data must be admitted if it otherwise comports with section 145.30, chapter 600, Minnesota Rules of Evidence 803(6), or other statutes or rules that permit reliable evidence to be admitted in civil cases.

Subd. 3. CARRIER STATUS. Upon a finding by the court that the commissioner's suspicion of carrier status is reasonable as established by presentation of facts justifying an inference that the respondent harbors a specific infectious agent, there shall exist a rebuttable presumption that the respondent is a carrier. This presumption may be rebutted if the respondent demonstrates noncarrier status after undergoing medically accepted tests.

Subd. 4. FAILURE TO APPEAR. If a party fails to appear at the hearing without prior court approval, the hearing may proceed without the absent party and the court may make its determination on the basis of all reliable evidence submitted at the hearing.

Subd. 5. RECORDS. The court shall take and preserve an accurate stenographic record of the proceedings.

Sec. 13. [144.4180] REMEDIES.

Subdivision 1. REMEDIES AVAILABLE. Upon a finding by the court that the commissioner has proven the allegations set forth in the petition, the court may order that the respondent must:

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(1) participate in a designated education program;

(2) participate in a designated counseling program;

(3) participate in a designated treatment program;

(4) undergo medically accepted tests to verify carrier status or for diagnosis, or undergo treatment that is consistent with standard medical practice as necessary to make respondent noninfectious;

(5) notify or appear before designated health officials for verification of status, testing, or other purposes consistent with monitoring;

(6) cease and desist the conduct which constitutes a health threat to others;

(7) live part time or full time in a supervised setting for the period and under the conditions set by the court;

(8) subject to the provisions of subdivision 2, be committed to an appropriate institutional facility for the period and under the conditions set by the court, but not longer than six months, until the respondent is made noninfectious, or until the respondent completes a course of treatment prescribed by the court, whichever occurs first, unless the commissioner shows good cause for continued commitment; and

(9) comply with any combination of the remedies in clauses (1) to (8), or other remedies considered just by the court. In no case may a respondent be committed to a correctional facility.

Subd. 2. COMMITMENT REVIEW PANEL. The court may not order the remedy specified in subdivision 1, clause (8) unless it first considers the recommendation of a commitment review panel appointed by the commissioner to review the need for commitment of the respondent to an institutional facility.

The duties of the commitment review panel shall be to:

(1) review the record of the proceeding;

(2) interview the respondent. If the respondent is not interviewed, the reasons must be documented; and

(3) identify, explore, and list the reasons for rejecting or recommending alternatives to commitment.

Subd. 3. CONSTRUCTION. This section shall be construed so that the least restrictive alternative is used to achieve the desired purpose of preventing or controlling communicable disease.

Subd. 4. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS. If commitment or supervised living is ordered, the court shall require the head of the institutional facility or the person in charge of supervision to submit: (a) a plan of treatment within ten

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days of initiation of commitment or supervised living; and (b) a written report, with a copy to both the commissioner and the respondent, at least 60 days, but not more than 90 days, from the start of respondent's commitment or supervised living arrangement, setting forth the following:

(1) the types of support or therapy groups, if any, respondent is attending and how often respondent attends;

(2) the type of care or treatment respondent is receiving, and what future care or treatment is necessary;

(3) whether respondent has been cured or made noninfectious, or otherwise no longer poses a threat to public health;

(4) whether continued commitment or supervised living is necessary; and

(5) other information the court considers necessary.

Sec. 14. [144.4181] APPEAL.

The petitioner or respondent may appeal the decision of the district court. The court of appeals shall hear the appeal within 30 days after service of the notice of appeal. However, respondent's status as determined by the district court remains unchanged, and any remedy ordered by the district court remains in effect while the appeal is pending.

Sec. 15. [144.4182] TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOLD.

Subdivision 1. APPREHEND AND HOLD. To protect the public health in an emergency, the court may order a health officer or peace officer to take a person into custody and transport the person to an appropriate emergency care or treatment facility for observation, examination, testing, diagnosis, care, treatment, and, if necessary, temporary detention. If the person is already institutionalized, the court may order the institutional facility to hold the person. These orders may be issued in an ex parte proceeding upon an affidavit of the commissioner or a designee of the commissioner. An order shall issue upon a determination by the court that reasonable cause exists to believe that the person is: (a) for indirectly transmitted diseases, an imminent health threat to others; or (b) for directly transmitted diseases a substantial likelihood of an imminent health threat to others.

The affidavit must set forth the specific facts upon which the order is sought and must be served on the person immediately upon apprehension or detention. An order under this section may be executed on any day and at any time.

Subd. 2. DURATION OF HOLD. No person may be held under subdivision 1 longer than 72 hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, without a court hearing to determine if the emergency hold should continue.

Sec. 16. [144.4183] EMERGENCY HOLD HEARING.

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Subdivision 1. TIME OF NOTICE. Notice of the emergency hold hearing must be served upon the person held under section 15, subdivision 1, at least 24 hours before the hearing.

Subd. 2. CONTENTS OF NOTICE. The notice must contain the following information:

- (1) the time, date, and place of the hearing;
- (2) the grounds and underlying facts upon which continued detention is sought;
- (3) the person's right to appear at the hearing;
- (4) the person's right to present and cross-examine witnesses; and
- (5) the person's right to counsel, including the right, if indigent, to representation by counsel designated by the court or county of venue.

Subd. 3. ORDER FOR CONTINUED EMERGENCY HOLD. The court may order the continued holding of the person if it finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the person would pose an imminent health threat to others if released. However, in no case may the emergency hold continue longer than five days, unless a petition is filed under section 6. If a petition is filed, the emergency hold must continue until a hearing on the petition is held under section 10. That hearing must occur within five days of the filing of the petition, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

Sec. 17. [144.4184] CONTACT DATA.

Identifying information voluntarily given to the commissioner, or an agent of the commissioner, by a carrier through a contact notification program must not be used as evidence in a court proceeding to determine noncompliant behavior.

Sec. 18. [144.4185] COSTS.

Subdivision 1. COSTS OF CARE. The court shall determine what part of the cost of care or treatment ordered by the court, if any, the respondent can pay. The respondent shall provide the court documents and other information necessary to determine financial ability. If the respondent cannot pay the full cost of care, the rest must be paid by the county in which respondent resides. If the respondent provides inaccurate or misleading information, or later becomes able to pay the full cost of care, the respondent becomes liable to the county for costs paid by the county.

Subd. 2. COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL. If the court appoints counsel to represent respondent free of charge, counsel must be compensated by the county in which respondent resides, except to the extent that the court finds that the respondent is financially able to pay for counsel's services. In these situations, the rate of compensation for counsel shall be determined by the court.

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Subd. 3. REPORT. The commissioner shall report any recommendations for appropriate changes in the modes of financing of services provided under subdivision 1 by January 15, 1988.

Sec. 19. [144.4186] DATA PRIVACY.

Subdivision 1. NONPUBLIC DATA. Data contained in a health directive are classified as protected nonpublic data under section 13.02, subdivision 13, in the case of data not on individuals, and private under section 13.02, subdivision 12, in the case of data on individuals. Investigative data shall have the classification accorded it under section 13.39.

Subd. 2. PROTECTIVE ORDER. Once an action is commenced, any party may seek a protective order to protect the disclosure of portions of the court record identifying individuals or entities.

Subd. 3. RECORDS RETENTION. A records retention schedule for records developed under sections 4 to 19 shall be established pursuant to section 138.17, subdivision 7.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.50, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. (a) No person, partnership, association, or corporation, nor any state, county, or local governmental units, nor any division, department, board, or agency thereof, shall establish, operate, conduct, or maintain in the state any hospital, sanatorium or other institution for the hospitalization or care of human beings without first obtaining a license therefor in the manner provided in sections 144.50 to 144.56. No person or entity shall advertise a facility providing services required to be licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56 without first obtaining a license.

(b) A violation of this subdivision is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$300. The commissioner may seek an injunction in the district court against the continuing operation of the unlicensed institution. Proceedings for securing an injunction may be brought by the attorney general or by the appropriate county attorney.

(c) The sanctions in this subdivision do not restrict other available sanctions.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.50, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Hospital, sanatorium or other institution for the hospitalization or care of human beings, within the meaning of sections 144.50 to 144.56 shall mean any institution, place, building, or agency, in which any accommodation is maintained, furnished, or offered for five or more persons for: the hospitalization of the sick or injured; the provision of care in a swing bed authorized under section 144.562; elective outpatient surgery for preexamined, prediagnosed low

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risk patients; emergency medical services offered 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in an ambulatory or outpatient setting in a facility not a part of a licensed hospital; or the institutional care of human beings. Nothing in sections 144.50 to 144.56 shall apply to a clinic, a physician's office or to hotels or other similar places that furnish only board and room, or either, to their guests.

Sec. 22. **[144.555] HOSPITAL CLOSINGS; PATIENT RELOCATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. NOTICE OF CLOSING OR CURTAILING SERVICE. If a facility licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56 voluntarily plans to cease operations or to curtail operations to the extent that patients or residents must be relocated, the controlling persons of the facility must notify the commissioner of health at least 90 days before the scheduled cessation or curtailment. The commissioner shall cooperate with the controlling persons and advise them about relocating the patients or residents.

Subd. 2. PENALTY. Failure to notify the commissioner under subdivision 1 may result in issuance of a correction order under section 144.653, subdivision 5.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.653, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **ENFORCEMENT.** With the exception of the department of public safety which has the exclusive jurisdiction to enforce state fire and safety standards, the state commissioner of health is the exclusive state agency charged with the responsibility and duty of inspecting facilities required to be licensed under the provisions of sections 144.50 to 144.58 and enforcing the rules and standards prescribed by it.

The commissioner may request and must be given access to relevant information, records, incident reports, or other documents in the possession of a licensed facility if the commissioner considers them necessary for the discharge of responsibilities. For the purposes of inspections and securing information to determine compliance with the licensure laws and rules, the commissioner need not present a release, waiver, or consent of the individual. The identities of patients or residents must be kept private as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.802, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. (a) Each prospective licensee and each present licensee wishing to offer a new type or types of life support transportation service, to establish a new base of operation, or to expand a primary service area, shall make written application for a license to the commissioner on a form provided by the commissioner.

(b) For applications for the provision of life support transportation services

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in a service area located within a county, the commissioner shall promptly send notice of the completed application to the ~~health systems agency or agencies~~; the ~~county board~~ and to each community health service ~~agency or agencies board~~, regional emergency medical services system designated under section 144.8093, life support transportation service, and each municipality ~~and county~~ in the area in which life support transportation service would be provided by the applicant. The commissioner shall publish the notice, at the applicant's expense, in the state register and in a newspaper in the municipality in which the ~~service would be provided~~ base of operation will be located, or if no newspaper is published in the municipality or if the service would be provided in more than one municipality, in a newspaper published at the county seat of the county ~~or counties~~ in which the service would be provided.

~~(b)~~ (c) For applications for the provision of life support transportation services in a service area larger than a county, the commissioner shall promptly send notice of the completed application to the municipality in which the service's base of operation will be located and to each community health board, county board, regional emergency medical services system designated under section 144.8093, and life support transportation service located within the service area described by the applicant. The commissioner shall publish this notice, at the applicant's expense, in the State Register and in a newspaper with statewide circulation.

(d) The commissioner shall request that the chief administrative law judge appoint an administrative law judge to hold a public hearing in the municipality in which the service's base of operation will be located. The public hearing shall be conducted as contested case hearing under chapter 14.

(e) Each municipality, county, community health service, regional emergency medical services system, life support transportation service, and other person wishing to make recommendations concerning the disposition of the application shall make written recommendations to the health systems agency in its area administrative law judge within 30 days of the publication of notice of the application in the State Register.

~~(e)~~ (f) The health systems agency or agencies administrative law judge shall:

(1) hold a public hearing in the municipality in which the service's base of operations is or will be located;

(2) provide notice of the public hearing in the newspaper or newspapers in which notice was published under part ~~(a)~~ (b) or (c) for two successive weeks at least ten days before the date of the hearing;

(3) allow any interested person the opportunity to be heard, to be represented by counsel, and to present oral and written evidence at the public hearing;

(4) provide a transcript of the hearing at the expense of any individual requesting it; ~~and~~

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(5) ~~follow any further procedure not inconsistent with chapter 14, which it deems appropriate.~~

(d) ~~(g)~~ ~~The health systems agency or agencies~~ administrative law judge shall review and comment upon the application and shall make written recommendations as to its disposition to the commissioner within 90 days of receiving notice of the application. In making the recommendations, the ~~health systems agency or agencies~~ administrative law judge shall consider and make written comments as to whether the proposed service, change in base of operations, or expansion in primary service area is needed, based on consideration of the following factors:

(1) the relationship of the proposed service, change in base of operations or expansion in primary service area to the current health systems and annual implementation plans community health plan as approved by the commissioner under section 145.918;

(2) the recommendations or comments of the governing bodies of the counties and municipalities in which the service would be provided;

(3) the deleterious effects on the public health from duplication, if any, of life support transportation services that would result from granting the license;

(4) the estimated effect of the proposed service, change in base of operation or expansion in primary service area on the public health;

(5) whether any benefit accruing to the public health would outweigh the costs associated with the proposed service, change in base of operations, or expansion in primary service area.

The ~~health systems agency or agencies~~ administrative law judge shall recommend that the commissioner either grant or deny a license or recommend that a modified license be granted. The reasons for the recommendation shall be set forth in detail. The ~~health systems agency or agencies~~ administrative law judge shall make the recommendations and reasons available to any individual requesting them.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144.802, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Within 30 days after receiving the ~~health systems agency recommendations~~ administrative law judge's report, the commissioner shall grant or deny a license to the applicant. In granting or denying a license, the commissioner shall consider the ~~health systems agency recommendations~~ administrative law judge's report, the evidence contained in the application, and any hearing record and other applicable evidence; and whether any benefit accruing to the public health would outweigh the costs associated with the proposed service, change in base of operations, or expansion in primary service area. The commissioner's decision shall be based on a consideration of the factors contained in subdivision 3, clause (f). If the commissioner's decision is different from the

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~~health systems agency~~ administrative law judge's recommendations, the commissioner shall set forth in detail the reasons for differing from the recommendations.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144A.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY.** The commissioner of health is the exclusive state agency charged with the responsibility and duty of inspecting all facilities required to be licensed under section 144A.02. The commissioner of health shall enforce the rules established pursuant to sections 144A.01 to 144A.17, subject only to the authority of the department of public safety respecting the enforcement of fire and safety standards in nursing homes and the responsibility of the commissioner of human services under sections 245.781 to 245.821 or 252.28.

The commissioner may request and must be given access to relevant information, records, incident reports, or other documents in the possession of a licensed facility if the commissioner considers them necessary for the discharge of responsibilities. For the purposes of inspections and securing information to determine compliance with the licensure laws and rules, the commissioner need not present a release, waiver, or consent of the individual. The identities of patients or residents must be kept private as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144A.10, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **INSPECTIONS.** The commissioner of health shall inspect each nursing home to ensure compliance with sections 144A.01 to 144A.17 and the rules promulgated to implement them. The inspection shall be a full inspection of the nursing home. If upon a reinspection provided for in subdivision 5 the representative of the commissioner of health finds one or more uncorrected violations, a second inspection of the facility shall be conducted. The second inspection need not be a full inspection. No prior notice shall be given of an inspection conducted pursuant to this subdivision. Any employee of the commissioner of health who willfully gives or causes to be given any advance notice of an inspection required or authorized by this subdivision shall be subject to suspension or dismissal in accordance with chapter 43A. An inspection required by a federal rule or statute may be conducted in conjunction with or subsequent to any other inspection. Any inspection required by this subdivision may be in addition to or in conjunction with the reinspections required by subdivision 5. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the commissioner of health from making more than one unannounced inspection of any nursing home during its license year. The commissioner of health shall coordinate inspections of nursing homes with inspections by other state and local agencies consistent with the requirements of this section and the Medicare and Medicaid certification programs.

The commissioner shall conduct inspections and reinspections of health

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facilities with a frequency and in a manner calculated to produce the greatest benefit to residents within the limits of the resources available to the commissioner. In performing this function, the commissioner may devote proportionately more resources to the inspection of those facilities in which conditions present the most serious concerns with respect to resident health, treatment, comfort, safety, and well-being.

These conditions include but are not limited to: change in ownership; frequent change in administration in excess of normal turnover rates; complaints about care, safety, or rights; where previous inspections or reinspections have resulted in correction orders related to care, safety, or rights; and, where persons involved in ownership or administration of the facility have been indicted for alleged criminal activity. Any facility that has none of the above conditions or any other condition established by the commissioner that poses a risk to resident care, safety, or rights shall be inspected once every two years.

Sec. 28. [144A.115] VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES.

Subdivision 1. OPERATING WITHOUT A LICENSE. The operation of a facility providing services required to be licensed under sections 144A.02 to 144A.10 without a license is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$300.

Subd. 2. ADVERTISING WITHOUT A LICENSE. A person or entity that advertises a facility required to be licensed under sections 144A.02 to 144A.10 before obtaining a license is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Subd. 3. OTHER SANCTIONS. The sanctions in this section do not restrict other available sanctions.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144A.16, is amended to read:

144A.16 CESSATION OF OPERATIONS.

If a nursing home voluntarily plans to cease operations or to curtail operations to the extent that relocation of residents is necessary, the controlling persons of the facility shall notify the commissioner of health at least 90 days prior to the scheduled cessation or curtailment. The commissioner of health shall cooperate with and advise the controlling persons of the nursing home in the resettlement of residents. Failure to comply with this section shall be a violation of section 144A.10.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144A.31, is amended to read:

144A.31 INTERAGENCY BOARD FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE.

Subdivision 1. **INTERAGENCY BOARD.** The commissioners of health and human services shall establish, by July 1, 1983, an interagency board of employees of their respective departments who are knowledgeable and employed in the areas of long-term care, geriatric care, long-term care facility inspection,

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or quality of care assurance. The number of interagency board members shall not exceed ~~seven~~ eight; three members each to represent the commissioners of health and human services and one member each to represent the ~~commissioner~~ of public safety in the enforcement of fire and safety standards in nursing homes. ~~The commissioner of human services or a designee shall chair and convene the board~~ directors of state planning and housing finance. The board shall identify long-term care issues requiring coordinated interagency policies and shall conduct analyses, coordinate policy development, and make recommendations to the commissioners for effective implementation of these policies. The commissioner of human services and the commissioner of health or their designees shall annually alternate chairing and convening the board. The board may utilize the expertise and time of other individuals employed by either department as needed. The board may recommend that the commissioners contract for services as needed. The board shall meet as often as necessary to accomplish its duties, but at least ~~monthly~~ quarterly. The board shall establish procedures, including public hearings, for allowing regular opportunities for input from residents, nursing homes, and other interested persons.

Subd. 2. **INSPECTIONS.** No later than January 1, ~~1984~~ 1988, the board shall develop and recommend implementation and enforcement of an effective system to ensure quality of care in each nursing home in the state. Quality of care includes evaluating, using the resident's care plan, whether the resident's ability to function is optimized and should not be measured solely by the number or amount of services provided.

The board shall assist the commissioner of health in ~~ensuring~~ developing methods to ensure that inspections and reinspections of nursing homes are conducted with a frequency and in a manner calculated to most effectively and appropriately fulfill its quality assurance responsibilities and achieve the greatest benefit to nursing home residents. The board shall identify and recommend criteria and methods for identifying those nursing homes that present the most serious concerns with respect to resident health, treatment, comfort, safety, and well-being. The commissioner of health shall require a higher frequency and extent of inspections with respect to those nursing homes that present the most serious concerns with respect to resident health, treatment, comfort, safety, and well-being. These concerns include but are not limited to: complaints about care, safety, or rights; situations where previous inspections or reinspections have resulted in correction orders related to care, safety, or rights; instances of frequent change in administration in excess of normal turnover rates; and situations where persons involved in ownership or administration of the nursing home have been convicted of engaging in criminal activity. A nursing home that presents none of these concerns or any other concern or condition recommended by the board and established by the board commissioner that poses a risk to resident care, safety, or rights shall be inspected once every two years for compliance with key requirements as determined by the board.

The board shall develop and recommend to the commissioners mechanisms beyond the inspection process to protect resident care, safety, and rights, includ-

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ing but not limited to coordination with the office of health facility complaints and the nursing home ombudsman program.

Subd. 3. METHODS FOR DETERMINING RESIDENT CARE NEEDS.

The board shall develop and recommend to the commissioners definitions for levels of care and methods for determining resident care needs for implementation on July 1, 1985 in order to adjust payments for resident care based on the mix of resident needs in a nursing home. The methods for determining resident care needs shall include assessments of ability to perform activities of daily living and assessments of medical and therapeutic needs.

Subd. 4. ENFORCEMENT. The board shall develop and recommend for implementation effective methods of enforcing quality of care standards. ~~When it deems necessary, and when all other methods of enforcement are not appropriate, the board shall recommend to the commissioner of health closure of all or part of a nursing home or certified boarding care home and revocation of the license.~~ The board shall develop and monitor, and the commissioner of human services shall implement, a resident relocation plan that instructs the a county in which the a nursing home or certified boarding care home is located of procedures to ensure that the needs of residents in nursing homes or certified boarding care homes about to be closed are met. The duties of a county under the relocation plan also apply when residents are to be discharged from a nursing home or certified boarding care home as a result of a change in certification, closure, or loss or termination of the facility's medical assistance provider agreement. The resident relocation plans and county duties required in this subdivision apply to the voluntary or involuntary closure, or reduction in services or size of, an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded. The relocation plan for intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded must conform to Minnesota Rules, parts 4655.6810 to 4655.6830, 9525.0015 to 9525.0165, and 9546.0010 to 9546.0060, or their successors. The commissioners of health and human services may waive a portion of existing rules that the commissioners determine does not apply to persons with mental retardation or related conditions. The county shall ensure appropriate placement in swing beds in hospitals, placement in unoccupied beds in other nursing homes, utilization of residents in licensed and certified facilities or other alternative care such as home health care on a temporary basis, and foster care placement; or other appropriate alternative care. In preparing for relocation, the board shall ensure that residents and their families or guardians are involved in planning the relocation.

Subd. 5. REPORTS. The board shall prepare a report and the commissioners of health and human services shall deliver this report to the legislature no later than January 15, 1984, on the board's proposals and progress on implementation of the methods required under ~~subdivisions~~ subdivision 2, 3, and 4. The commissioners shall recommend changes in or additions to legislation necessary or desirable to fulfill their responsibilities. The board shall prepare an annual report and the commissioners shall deliver this report annually to the legislature, beginning in January, 1985, on the implementation ~~and enforcement~~ of the provisions of this section.

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Subd. 6. **DATA.** The interagency board may have access to data from the commissioners of health, human services, and public safety for carrying out its duties under this section. The commissioner of health and the commissioner of human services may each have access to data on persons, including data on vendors of services, from the other to carry out the purposes of this section. If the interagency board, the commissioner of health, or the commissioner of human services receives data on persons, including data on vendors of services, that is collected, maintained, used or disseminated in an investigation, authorized by statute and relating to enforcement of rules or law, the board or the commissioner shall not disclose that information except:

- (a) pursuant to section 13.05;
- (b) pursuant to statute or valid court order; or
- (c) to a party named in a civil or criminal proceeding, administrative or judicial, for preparation of defense.

Data described in this subdivision is classified as public data upon its submission to an administrative law judge or court in an administrative or judicial proceeding.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 144A.53, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **POWERS.** The director may:

(a) Promulgate by rule, pursuant to chapter 14, and within the limits set forth in subdivision 2, the methods by which complaints against health facilities, health care providers or administrative agencies are to be made, reviewed, investigated, and acted upon; provided, however, that a fee may not be charged for filing a complaint;

(b) Recommend legislation and changes in rules to the state commissioner of health, legislature, governor, administrative agencies or the federal government;

(c) Investigate, upon a complaint or upon initiative of the director, any action or failure to act by a health care provider or a health facility;

(d) Request and receive access to relevant information, records, incident reports, or documents in the possession of an administrative agency, a health care provider, or a health facility, and issue investigative subpoenas to individuals and facilities for oral information and written information, including privileged information which the director deems necessary for the discharge of responsibilities; For purposes of investigation and securing information to determine violations, the director need not present a release, waiver, or consent of an individual. The identities of patients or residents must be kept private as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12.

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(e) Enter and inspect, at any time, a health facility and be permitted to interview staff; provided that the director shall not unduly interfere with or disturb the provision of care and services within the facility or the activities of a patient or resident unless the patient or resident consents;

(f) Issue a correction order pursuant to section 144.653 or any other law which provides for the issuance of correction orders to health care facilities; A facility's refusal to cooperate in providing lawfully requested information may also be grounds for a correction order.

(g) Recommend the certification or decertification of health facilities pursuant to Title XVIII or Title XIX of the United States Social Security Act;

(h) Assist patients or residents of health facilities in the enforcement of their rights under Minnesota law; and.

(i) Work with administrative agencies, health facilities, health care providers and organizations representing consumers on programs designed to provide information about health facilities to the public and to health facility residents.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 145.881, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **COMPOSITION OF TASK FORCE.** The commissioner shall establish and appoint a maternal and child health advisory task force consisting of 15 members who will provide equal representation from:

- (1) professionals with expertise in maternal and child health services;
- (2) representatives of local health boards as defined in section 145.913; and
- (3) consumer representatives interested in the health of mothers and children.

No members shall be employees of the state department of health. Task force members shall be appointed and removed as provided in section 15.059, subdivision 6. ~~Notwithstanding section 15.059, subdivisions 5 and 6, 2 and 4.~~ The maternal and child health advisory task force shall terminate on ~~June 30, 1987~~ the date provided by section 15.059, subdivision 5, and members shall receive compensation as provided in section 15.059, subdivision 6.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 145.882, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **DISTRIBUTION FORMULA.** The amount available for each community health services area is determined according to the following formula:

(a) Each community health services area is allocated an amount based on the following three variables:

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(1) the proportion of resident mothers within the city, county, or counties who are under 20 years of age or over 35 years of age, as determined by averaging the data available for the three most current years;

(2) the proportion of resident infants within the city, county, or counties whose weight at birth is less than 2,500 grams, as determined by averaging the data available for the three most current years; and

(3) the proportion of resident children within the city, county, or counties under the age of 19 who are on general assistance or medical assistance and the proportion of resident women within the city, county, or counties aged 19 to 49 who are on general assistance or medical assistance, as determined by using the data available for the most current year.

(b) Each variable is expressed as a city or county score consisting of the city or county frequency of each variable divided by the statewide frequency of the variable.

(c) A total score for each city or county jurisdiction is computed by totaling the scores of the three factors and dividing the total by three. The resulting amount is added to the total score for the most recent two-year grant period and the sum is divided by two.

(d) Each community health services area is allocated an amount equal to the total score obtained above for the city, county, or counties in its area multiplied by the amount of money available for special projects of local significance.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 157.01, is amended to read:

157.01 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **TYPES OF ESTABLISHMENTS.** Every building or structure or enclosure, or any part thereof, kept, used as, maintained as, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be an enclosure where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the public and furnishing accommodations for periods of less than one week shall for the purpose of this chapter be deemed an hotel.

Every building or other structure or enclosure, or any part thereof and all buildings in connection, kept, used or maintained as, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be an enclosure where meals or lunches are served or prepared for service elsewhere shall for the purpose of this chapter be deemed to be a restaurant, and the person in charge thereof, whether as owner, lessee, manager or agent, for the purpose of this chapter shall be deemed the proprietor of the restaurant, and whenever the word "restaurant" occurs in this chapter, it shall be construed to mean a structure as described in this section.

Every building or structure, or any part thereof, kept, used as, maintained as, advertised as, or held out to be a place where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the public as regular roomers, for periods of one week or more, and having five or more beds to let to the public, shall, for the purpose of this chapter, be deemed a lodging house.

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Every building or structure or enclosure, or any part thereof, used as, maintained as, or advertised as, or held out to be an enclosure where meals or lunches are furnished to five or more regular boarders, whether with or without sleeping accommodations, for periods of one week or more, shall, for the purpose of this chapter, be deemed a boarding house.

Every building or structure, or any part thereof, used as, maintained as, or advertised as, or held out to be a place where confectionery, ice cream, or drinks of various kinds are made, sold or served at retail, shall, for the purpose of this chapter, be deemed to be a place of refreshment. This chapter shall not be applicable in any manner to a general merchandise store, grocery store, oil station, cigar stand, confectionery store, or drug store not providing meals, lunches, lodging, or fountain, bar, booth, or table service.

For the purpose of this chapter, a resort means any building, structure, or enclosure, or any part thereof, located on, or on property neighboring, any lake, stream, or skiing or hunting area for purposes of providing convenient access thereto, kept, used, maintained, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be an enclosure where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the public, and primarily to those seeking recreation, for periods of one day, one week, or longer, and having for rent five or more cottages, rooms, or enclosures.

Subd. 2. LEVELS OF RISK. (a) “High-risk establishment” means any lodging house, hotel, motel, restaurant, boarding house, place of refreshment, or resort that:

(1) serves potentially hazardous foods that require extensive processing on the premises, including manual handling, cooling, reheating, or holding for service;

(2) prepares foods several hours or days before service;

(3) serves menu items that epidemiologic experience has demonstrated to be common vehicles of food-borne illness;

(4) has a public swimming pool;

(5) draws its drinking water from a surface water supply; or

(6) has an on-site sewage disposal system and is located in an area where conditions are less favorable for the successful operation of such a system.

(b) “Medium-risk establishment” means a hotel, motel, restaurant, lodging house, boarding house, place of refreshment, or resort that:

(1) serves potentially hazardous foods but with minimal holding between preparation and service;

(2) serves low-risk foods that may or may not be potentially hazardous but require extensive handling, such as baked goods and pizzas;

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(3) serves large volumes of food even though the food-borne illness risk is low; or

(4) is a lodging establishment with 25 or more units.

(c) "Low-risk establishment" means a hotel, motel, restaurant, lodging house, boarding house, place of refreshment, or resort that is not a high-risk or medium-risk establishment.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 157.02, is amended to read:

157.02 HOTEL INSPECTOR INSPECTION RECORDS.

The ~~hotel inspector~~ commissioner of health shall keep a set of books for public use and inspection showing the condition of all hotels, motels, restaurants, lodging houses, boarding houses, resorts, and places of refreshment, together with the name of the owner, proprietor, or manager thereof, showing their sanitary condition, and any other information that may be for the betterment of the public service, and ~~likewise assist in the enforcement of any orders promulgated by the state commissioner of health and the department of agriculture~~ issue orders for correction of violations relating to hotels, motels, restaurants, lodging houses, boarding houses, resorts, and places of refreshment.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 157.04, is amended to read:

157.04 ANNUAL INSPECTION.

It shall be the duty of the ~~hotel inspector~~ commissioner of health to inspect, or cause to be inspected, ~~at least once annually,~~ every hotel, motel, restaurant, lodging house, boarding house, or resort, or place of refreshment in this state. The frequency of inspections must be based on the degree of hazard to the public. High-risk establishments must be inspected at least once a year. Medium-risk establishments must be inspected at least once every 18 months. Low-risk establishments must be inspected at least once every two years. ~~For this~~ the purpose of conducting inspections, the ~~inspector~~ commissioner shall have the right to enter and have access thereto at any time during the conduct of business and when, upon inspection, it shall be found that the business and property so inspected is not being conducted, or is not equipped, in the manner required by the provisions of this chapter or the rules of the state commissioner of health, or is being conducted in violation of any of the laws of this state pertaining to the business, it shall thereupon be the duty of the ~~hotel inspector~~ commissioner to notify the owner, proprietor, or agent in charge of the business, or the owner or agent of the buildings so occupied, of the condition so found. Each owner, proprietor, or agent shall forthwith comply with the provisions of this chapter or the rules of the commissioner, unless otherwise herein provided. A reasonable time may be granted by the ~~hotel inspector~~ commissioner for compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 157.09, is amended to read:

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157.09 REVOCATION OF LICENSE.

It shall be the duty of the ~~state hotel inspector~~ commissioner of health to revoke a license, on the ~~inspector's~~ commissioner's finding that a place of business is being operated in violation of the provisions of this chapter or rules of the state commissioner of health, so as to constitute a filthy, unclean, and insanitary condition and dangerous to public health; or, if the owner or proprietor persistently refuses or fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter or rules of the commissioner. Upon revocation of a license, the place of business shall be immediately closed to public patronage until such time as the owner or proprietor shall have complied with the provisions of this chapter, as certified to by the issuance of a new license.

The third revocation of license in any one year and on any one proprietor shall be made permanent for a period of one year from the date of the last revocation.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 157.14, is amended to read:

157.14 EXEMPTIONS.

This chapter shall not be construed to apply to interstate carriers under the supervision of the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare or to any building constructed and primarily used for religious worship, nor to any building owned, operated and used by a college or university in accordance with regulations promulgated by the college or university. Any person, firm or corporation whose principal mode of business is licensed under sections 28A.04 and 28A.05 is exempt at that premises from licensure as a place of refreshment or restaurant; provided, that the holding of any license pursuant to sections 28A.04 and 28A.05 shall not exempt any person, firm, or corporation from the applicable provisions of the chapter or the rules of the state commissioner of health relating to food and beverage service establishments. This chapter does not apply to family day-care homes or group family day-care homes governed by sections 245.781 to 245.812.

Sec. 39. INSTRUCTION TO REVISOR.

In the next and later editions of Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall change the words "life support transportation service" to "ambulance service" in sections 144.801 to 144.8093 and 174.29.

Sec. 40. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 144.422; 144.424; 144.425; 144.471; 144.49, subdivision 5; 144.692; 144.801, subdivision 8; and 144.94, are repealed.

Sec. 41. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 40 are effective July 1, 1987.

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