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Subject: Senate File 1757, Lodging Establishment Definition Expansion

Senator Nelson reached out to Olmsted County Public Health Services, the delegated public lodging licensing authority from the Minnesota Department of Health, to assess the need to clarify language to the lodging definition in M.S. 157 to include a growing sector of public establishments in our community which uniquely serve medical patients.

SF 1757 would help clarify these types of establishments as public lodging establishments. This would result in clearer lines of authority for licensing and inspection services by our local Community Health Board.

Sincerely,

Pete Giesen, Director