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Overview

This bill makes changes to provisions relating to group family child care capacity, infant sleep practices, child care license holder insurance requirements, and licensing investigations.

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- Group family day care licensed capacity. Amends § 245A.14 by adding subd. 16. Increases the number of children that may be served by a licensed group family day care with two adult caregivers from 14 to 17. Specifies that no more than six children shall be infants and toddlers, combined, and no more than four shall be infants. Makes this section effective the day following final enactment.
- **Reduction of risk of sudden unexpected infant death in licensed programs.** Amends § 245A.1435, paragraph (d). Clarifies provisions related to infant swaddling sleep practices; allows for the use of an infant sleep system that is not under a recall or warning from the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission.
- Child care license holder insurance. Amends § 245A.152. Modifies the circumstances under which a child care license holder must provide written notice to parents for insurance changes. Specifies that if a license holder has an automatically-renewing policy, including the annual renewal date in the initial parental notice is sufficient and valid until the insurance coverage changes or the policy lapses.
- 4 Investigations. Amends § 245A.16, subd. 2. (b) Requires the commissioner of human services to provide clear and specific reasons if the commissioner's determination differs

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from the county's recommendation after an investigation that results in evidence that the commissioner should deny an application or pursue a negative licensing action.

(c) Requires that if a county investigation does not result in evidence that the commissioner should deny an application or pursue a negative licensing action, and the commissioner's determination differs from that conclusion, the commissioner must provide clear and specific reasons for the differences.

Makes this section effective the day following final enactment.