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**Subject** DHS Program Waivers and Modifications

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## **Overview**

In March 2020, the commissioner of human services was granted temporary emergency authority by the governor, through executive order, to waive or modify certain requirements in order to provide essential programs and services during the COVID-19 pandemic. In Laws 2020, First Special Session ch. 7, § 1, some of the waivers and modifications were allowed to extend beyond the peacetime emergency declared by the governor. This bill adds to the list of extensions.

## **Summary**

## **Section Description**

## 1 Waivers and modifications; extension to June 30, 2021.

Amends Laws 2020, First Special Session ch. 7, § 1, subd. 2. Adds to the list of extended waiver and modifications the suspension of application requirements for economic assistance programs, except that the extension shall be limited to the portions of this modification allowing remote interviews for the Minnesota family investment program, and allowing the use of electronic signatures for enrollment verification. Verbal signatures shall not be permitted for enrollment verification.