

Subject Substance Use Disorder Treatment Licensing

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Overview

This bill establishes “alternative licensing inspections” for substance use disorder treatment license holders that meet certain eligibility and accreditation criteria, exempting them from routine licensing inspections.

Summary

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| 1 | Alternative licensing inspections. |
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Proposes coding for § 245G.031.

Subd. 1. Eligibility for an alternative licensing inspection. Allows a licensed substance use disorder treatment provider who meets eligibility criteria and has a qualifying accreditation to request approval for an alternative licensing inspection. Outlines eligibility criteria.

Subd. 2. Qualifying accreditation. Specifies what constitutes a qualifying accreditation for an alternative licensing inspection.

Subd. 3. Request for approval of an alternative inspection status. Specifies how an alternative inspection request must be made, and what must be included in the request. Allows the commissioner to approve an alternative inspection status and requires the commissioner to notify the license holder of the approval in writing. Specifies renewal request procedure.

Subd. 4. Programs approved for alternative licensing inspection; deemed compliance licensing requirements. Requires a license holder approved for an alternative licensing inspection to maintain compliance with all licensing standards; specifies that the commissioner must not perform routine inspections for a license holder with alternative inspection status. Requires the commissioner to investigate complaints and take needed licensing actions.

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Subd. 5. Investigations of alleged or suspected maltreatment. Specifies that the commissioner's responsibilities to investigate alleged child or adult maltreatment remain the same.

Subd. 6. Termination or denial of subsequent approval. Specifies circumstances under which the commissioner may terminate or deny subsequent approval of a license holder's alternative licensing inspection status.

Subd. 7. Appeals. Allows a license holder to appeal the commissioner's denial of an alternative licensing inspection.

Subd. 8. Commissioner's programs. Excludes DHS-operated programs from alternative licensing inspections.

Makes this section effective September 1, 2021.



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