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Overview

This act specifies a timeline for the transition to a new nursing facility case-mix system. The act also requires the commissioner of human services to report to the legislature on plans for the transition to and implementation of this system, and to make training and information on the system available.

- 1 **Case-mix adjustments based upon the minimum data set.** Amends § 256B.435, by adding subd. 8. Requires the performance-based contracting system for nursing facilities to include case-mix assessments that are based upon the federally-mandated minimum data set assessment instrument. Requires these case-mix adjustments to be incorporated into the performance-based contracting system on or after July 1, 2001, but no later than January 1, 2002, and to have a budget neutral financial impact on each facility.
- 2 **Nursing home case-mix system transition plan.** (a) Requires the commissioner of human services, in consultation with the commissioner of health and an advisory committee, to report to the legislature by January 15, 2001, on plans for the transition to and implementation of a case-mix system based upon the minimum data set assessment instrument. Specifies requirements for the report.
(b) Requires the commissioner of human services, in cooperation with the commissioner of health, to: (1) make available to nursing facility employees training on the new case-mix system; and (2) make available to nursing facility residents and consumers easily understandable information on the new case-mix system and the impact of the transition on nursing facility residents.