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Overview

This act clarifies changes made to the At-Home Infant Care program during the 2001 Legislative Session and makes changes to child care assistance definitions. This act also defines portable wading pools used at certain home day care settings as private residential pools, and not public pools, for purposes of public swimming pool regulations, and allows portable wading pools to be used in these day care settings if the child's parent or guardian provides written consent.

Section

- 1 **Child care services.** Amends § 119B.011, subd. 7. Modifies the definition of "child care services."
- 2 **Service period.** Adds subd. 22 to § 119B.011. Defines "service period" as a biweekly period used by the child care assistance program for billing and payment purposes.
- 3 **Establishment.** Amends § 119B.061, subd. 1. Makes a technical change.
- 4 **Assistance.** Amends § 119B.061, subd. 4. Strikes language requiring assistance to be calculated to reflect the parent fee requirement under the Basic Sliding Fee program for the family's actual income level and family size while the family is participating in the At-Home Infant Child Care program. Adds language requiring the annual income of applicant families to be based on an annualization of the income received only during the time in which the family is participating in the At-Home Infant Child Care program.
- 5 **Pools at family day care or group family day care homes.** Adds subd. 2a to § 144.1222. Specifies that a portable wading pool used at a licensed family day care or group family day care home or at an unlicensed home where services are provided by an unrelated person to children in a single related family, are private residential pools and not public pools. This means that portable wading pools used at these homes are not subject to the Health Department's rules

that apply to public swimming pools.

- 6 **Portable wading pools; family day care and group family day care providers.** Adds subd. 10 to § 245A.14. Prohibits a portable wading pool, as defined above, from being used at a family day care or group family day care home unless the child's parent or guardian provides written consent and acknowledges receipt of materials on the risks of disease transmission and other risks of using portable wading pools.
- 7 **Effective date.** Makes sections 5 and 6 effective the day following final enactment.