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Current law requires the commissioner of labor and industry to adopt a rule specifying a list of standard industrial classifications of employers. Employers specified on this list are required to establish a written work place accident and injury reduction program under Minnesota Statutes, § 182.653, subdivision 8.

Beginning in 1997, the standard industrial classification system has been replaced by the North American industry classification system (NAICS). NAICS was designed as the index for statistical reporting of all economic activities of the United States, Canada, and Mexico and reorganizes industry categories on a production and process-oriented basis.

This act allows the commissioner to use this new system by amending the law to require the commissioner of labor and industry to adopt a rule specifying a list of *either* standard industrial classifications of employers *or* North American industry classifications of employers.