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Overview

This bill modifies provisions governing applications for funds for medical education costs, and the distribution of those funds by the commissioner of health.

- 1 **Definitions.** Amends § 62J.692, subd. 1. In a subdivision defining terms for the distribution of money to fund medical education costs, expands the definition of accredited clinical training to include clinical training provided by a program accredited through a body whose accreditation standards are approved by the commissioner of health in consultation with the medical education and research advisory committee.
- 2 **Application process.** Amends § 62J.692, subd. 3. In a subdivision outlining the application process for medical education funds, changes the date by which applications must be submitted, from September 30 to October 31. Also modifies the information that must be included in the application. For the first three consecutive years of applying for funds, an application must include the following information annually: (1) audited clinical training costs per trainee for each clinical program, or estimates; (2) a description of the current sources of funding for clinical medical education costs; and (3) other revenue received for clinical training. After the third year, an application must include this information in the first year of each biennium. (Current law requires this information to be included in each application.)
- 3 **Distribution of funds.** Amends § 62J.692, subd. 4. Requires the commissioner to use statewide average cost per trainee as determined by application information provided in the first year of the biennium, as one criterion in distributing medical education funds.
- 4 **Effective date.** Makes section 1 effective the day following final enactment.