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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill repeals the health care provider taxes, effective July 1, 1999. The bill does not specify how the MinnesotaCare programs will be funded after the repeal

- 1 **Conforming change.** Provides that references to the provider taxes in health care cost containment chapter are tied to the 1998 statutes, since the bill repeals the provider taxes.
- 2 **Conforming change.** Adds a definition of staff model health plan company, since the cross reference to the definition in the provider tax is repealed by the bill.
- 3 **Conforming change.** Eliminates the requirement that various health licensing boards assist the Commissioner of Revenue in activities related to the provider tax, since the bill repeals the provider tax.
- 4 **Conforming change.** Eliminates failure to comply with the provider tax as grounds for discipline by various health licensing boards, since the bill repeals the provider tax.
- 5 **Conforming change.** Eliminates references to the health care provider taxes that are repealed.
- 6 **Conforming change.** Ties references to the health care provider taxes to the 1998 statutes, since these sections are repealed.
- 7 **Repealer.** Repeals the health care provider taxes, including the tax on hospitals, surgical centers, health care providers, and wholesale drugs.
- 8 **Effective date.** Provides the bill is effective July 1, 2000.