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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill exempts pregnant minors and minor parents from the requirement to attend an MFIP orientation. It instead requires a county agency to include applicable information from the MFIP orientation when a minor applicant is informed of the special requirements that apply to minor caregivers on MFIP. This bill also makes an in-blank appropriation to create and expend adult-supervised living arrangements for minor parents and their children.

- 1 Eligibility for parenting or pregnant minors.** (Amends § 256J.14) Requires the county agency to include information from the MFIP orientation that is applicable to minor caregivers when it informs a minor applicant of the special requirements that apply to minor caregivers on MFIP.
- 2 Pregnant and parenting minors.** (Adds subd. 1a to § 256J.45) Exempts pregnant minors and minor parents who are complying with program requirements from the requirement to attend the MFIP orientation. Requires instead that the county agency provide information from the orientation that is applicable to a minor caregiver, as provided in section 1.
- 3 Appropriation; adult-supervised living arrangements for minor parents.** Makes an in-blank appropriation from the TANF reserve to create and expand adult-supervised supportive living arrangements. Requires minor parents on MFIP to be given priority for this housing, but permits minor parents who are not on MFIP to use any excess living arrangements that may be created.