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Overview

Permits the city of Northfield, a home rule charter city of the third class, to acquire property for, establish and operate a hospital and related medical facilities at a site outside the city limits.

Under current law, home rule charter cities of the third and fourth class only have authority to establish hospitals within city limits.

Section

- 1 Northfield; medical facilities.** Allows the city of Northfield to acquire, establish, and operate a related medical facility, as well as a hospital, at a location to be determined by the Northfield city council, including a site outside the city limits. (Under current law, home rule cities of the third or fourth class are allowed only to operate hospitals, and these hospitals must be located within the city limits.) Allows the city to take these actions by resolution or ordinance approved by a majority of the city council.
- 2 Acquisition of sites and property.** Allows the city of Northfield to acquire property to establish, own, and operate a hospital or related medical facility.
- 3 Effective date; no local approval required.** Exempts sections 1 and 2 from the local approval requirement, and provides that the sections are effective the day following final enactment.