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## **Overview**

This bill regulates Centers for Independent Living, establishes provider standards for waivers, and provides guidelines for MA reimbursement.

### **Section**

- Data use agreement; notice of relocation assistance. Amends § 256B.0621, subd. 11. Requires the commissioner to establish a process with the Centers for Independent Living that allows a person residing in a nursing facility to receive needed information, consultation, and assistance from one of the centers about the available community support options that may allow a person to relocate to the community if the person meets specified criteria. Removes language requiring the commissioner to work with the Centers for Independent Living on providing information about assistance for persons who want to move to the community.
- **Transition assistance.** Amends § 256B.0911, subd. 3b. Requires transition assistance to include information about the Centers for Independent Living and other organizations that can provide assistance with relocation efforts.
- **Authority.** Amends § 256B.49, subd. 11. Requires the commissioner to provide notice, at least 30 days before any effective dates, to specified persons and organizations about any substantive changes to the state's disability services provider manual.
- 4 Medical assistance reimbursement. Amends § 256B.49, by adding subd. 16a. Paragraph (a) requires the commissioner to seek federal approval for MA reimbursement for specified services.

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### **Section**

Paragraph (b) limits medical reimbursement to providers who demonstrate evidence of their capacity to meet basic health, safety, and protection standards.

Paragraphs (c) to (e) include methods by which providers can demonstrate their capacity to meet basic health, safety, and protection standards.

Paragraph (f) requires local agencies to review each provider's continued compliance with the basic health, safety, and protection standards on a regular basis. Requires local agencies to coordinate foster care reviews with the county review.

Makes this section effective immediately.