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Overview

This bill expands covered services under the asthma coverage demonstration project. The bill also expands coverage of durable medical equipment under the project.

Section

1 **Medical assistance coverage.** Amends Laws 2009, ch. 79, art. 5, sec. 75, subd. 1. Expands coverage under the asthma coverage demonstration project to include home environmental assessments for triggers of asthma and in-home asthma education on the medical management of asthma by a certified asthma educator or public health nurse with asthma management training. Limits visits to two per child. Requires durable medical equipment to be covered if the item is "useful" rather than "medically necessary" to reduce asthma symptoms.