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Overview

This bill establishes an ongoing appropriation for nursing facility moratorium exception projects.

Currently, there is a moratorium on the licensure and MA certification of new nursing home beds and construction projects that exceed \$1.4 million. However, there are certain exceptions to the moratorium including for facilities built to address an extreme hardship situation in a particular county, to license or certify beds in a new facility constructed to replace a facility, or to license or certify beds that are moved from one location to another within the state. In addition, the Commissioner of Health may grant construction project exceptions to the nursing facility moratorium if legislation authorizes and funds those projects. The legislature has also, at times, authorized statutory exceptions to the moratorium.

- 1** **Moratorium exception funding.** Amends § 144A.073, by adding subd. 13. Allows the commissioner to approve moratorium exception projects for which the full annualized state share of MA costs does not exceed \$1.5 million beginning in fiscal year 2013 and each fiscal year thereafter.
- 2** **Repealer.** Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 144A.073, subd. 9 (moratorium exception project budget request).