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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill repeals a requirement that nursing facilities participate in Medicare Parts A and B and establishes a referral system.

- 1 Exemptions.** Amends § 256B.434, subd. 10. Removes language referencing a statutory citation that is repealed in section 3.
- 2 Referrals to Medicare providers required.** Amends § 256B.48, by adding subd. 6a. Requires nursing facilities that do not participate in or accept Medicare assignment to refer and document the referral of dual eligible recipients for whom placement is requested and for whom the resident would be qualified for a Medicare-covered stay to Medicare providers. Directs the commissioner to audit nursing facilities that do not accept Medicare and determine if dual eligible individuals with Medicare qualifying stays have been admitted and to deny MA payment for the first 20 days of that resident's stay if such a determination is made.
- 3 Repealer.** Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.48, subd. 6 (Medicare certification).