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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill modifies TEFRA parental contributions.

TEFRA is an optional MA eligibility category. Under this option, only the child's income is counted and parents pay a parental fee. In order to be eligible under the TEFRA option, an individual must:

- Be under age 18;
- Have a disability determination from the SMRT;
- Require a level of home health care comparable to the care provided in a hospital, nursing facility, or ICF/DD;
- Have MA home care costs that do not exceed the cost to MA of institutional care;
- Live with at least one parent; and
- Meet the MA income standard (the income limit is 100 percent of FPG and only the child's income is counted).

There is no asset limit under the TEFRA option.

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Contribution amount. Amends § 252.27, subd. 2a. Changes the end date of the current schedule of parental contributions from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2013. In 2010, parental contributions were temporarily increased for some families. This change would make parental contributions revert back to the original schedule beginning July 1, 2013.