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Overview

This bill modifies provisions related to random drug testing in the general assistance (GA) and MFIP statutes.

Section

- 1** **Person convicted of drug offenses.** Amends § 256D.024, subd. 1. Makes random drug testing of individuals receiving GA who have been convicted of a felony drug offense since July 1, 1997, permissive rather than required. Removes language specifying circumstances under which an individual receiving GA who has been convicted of a felony drug offense since July 1, 1997, would lose eligibility for benefits.
- 2** **Person convicted of drug offenses.** Amends § 256J.26, subd. 1. Makes random drug testing of individuals on MFIP who have been convicted of a felony drug offense in the past ten years permissive rather than required. Makes vendor payment of benefits for the entire assistance unit permissive rather than required when a member of the assistance unit has a felony drug conviction.