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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill replaces outdated terminology related to persons with disabilities in various Minnesota Statutes and Rules. Affected agencies include the Departments of Education, Transportation, Corrections, Labor and Industry, Public Safety, Commerce, and Human Services; various professional licensing boards; Amateur Sports Commission; Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board; and the Public Utilities Commission.

The Stipulated Class Action Settlement Agreement (09-CV-1775 DWF/FLN) associated with the former Minnesota Extended Treatment Options (METO) program required DHS to draft a bill to replace outdated terms that appear in Minnesota Statutes and Rules. Instruction was provided in Laws 2012, ch. 216, art. 12, § 10.

This bill provides for the replacement of outdated terminology related to persons with disabilities not required by the Stipulated Class Action Settlement Agreement and/or outside of the jurisdiction of DHS. The affected agencies have been notified by DHS of the statutes and rules that require updating.