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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill modifies requirements for administration of neuroleptic medications to individuals subject to civil commitment. It also authorizes the commissioner, in response to issues raised in the 2013 OLA report on state-operated services, to create a pilot project related to civil commitments.

#### Section

- 1 Findings.** Amends § 253B.09, subd. 2. Adds that as part of the preliminary hearing when a person who is subject to the commitment proceeding may be in need of neuroleptic medication but may be unable to consent, the court shall decide whether a court order is needed authorizing the administration of the medication.
- 2 Administration without judicial review.** Amends § 253B.092, subd. 2. Allows neuroleptic medications to be administered without judicial review when the patient does not have capacity to consent but was prescribed neuroleptic medication prior to admission to the treatment facility and the treating physician is making efforts to obtain a substitute decision-maker or obtain a court order.
- 3 Pilot program; notice and information to commissioner of human services regarding patients committed to the commissioner.** Authorizes the commissioner to create a pilot program to test the efficiency of no more than three counties providing notice to the commissioner when a petition is filed to commit a patient exclusively to the commissioner. Requires the commissioner to issue a status report to the legislature no later than January 15, 2015.