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Overview

This bill provides a supplementary service rate for a GRH provider located in Stearns County.

GRH is a state program that provides payments on behalf of eligible persons to pay for room and board and related housing services. In order to be eligible for GRH payments, an individual must have county approval for residence in a GRH setting and must: (1) be aged, blind, or over 18 years of age and disabled, and meet specified income and asset standards; or (2) belong to a category of individuals potentially eligible for GA and meet specified income and asset standards.

Counties are allowed to negotiate a room and board rate that exceeds the GRH basic room and board rate by a certain amount per month for other services necessary to provide room and board, if the provider is not also receiving MA funding for waivered services or personal care services, or funding under Minnesota Rules, parts 9535.2000 to 9535.3000 (Rule 12) for residential services for the adult mentally ill. This rate is available mainly to board and lodging with special services and noncertified boarding care home settings, and applies to all recipients in the setting.

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Supplementary service rate for certain facilities; Stearns County. Amends § 256I.05, by adding subd. 1p. Requires a county agency to negotiate a supplementary service rate in addition to the basic room and board rate, not to exceed \$482.84 per month, including any legislatively authorized inflationary adjustments, for a GRH provider located in Stearns County serving veterans.