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H.F. 3169 amends an existing provision governing nursing facility operating rates in border cities. Under current law, the commissioner must increase operating payment rates for nonprofit nursing facilities in Breckenridge to be equal to the rates for a nonprofit nursing facility in an adjacent city in another state and in cities contiguous to the adjacent city. The bill expands this provision to nonprofit facilities located in Moorhead, effective for the rate year beginning January 1, 2020.

The bill also specifies that the commissioner must compare the rates in Minnesota border cities with other cities on October 1 each year, with the rate adjustments to be effective on January 1 of the following year.

Existing language stipulates that rate adjustments under this border city subdivision are not subject to the limits in 256B.441, subdivision 50 and subdivision 51. The bill clarifies that the rate adjustments under the border cities subdivision are not subject to the total care-related limit in subdivision 50 and are not limited to the other operating price in subdivision 51.