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Overview

This bill adds advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) to various statutes that give authority to physicians to engage in specific actions or certify or provide certain information.

Section

- 1 **Public data.** Amends § 13.83, subd. 2. Adds certification of attendance by an APRN to section specifying which data on a deceased person is public.
- 2 **Communication privacy.** Amends § 144.651, subd. 21. Modifies the health care bill of rights by adding APRNs to those persons who may document that an activity is medically inadvisable.
- 3 **Request for discontinuation of life-sustaining treatment.** Amends § 144A.4791, subd. 13. Adds APRNs to persons who must receive notice and work to comply with the Health Care Directive Act when a client requests that a home care provider discontinue life-sustaining treatment.
- 4 **Definitions.** Amends § 245G.22, subd. 2. Allows an APRN who is approved by variance by the State Opioid Treatment Authority and the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to be a medical director in an opioid treatment program.
- 5 **Exemptions and emergency admissions.** Amends § 256.975, subd. 7b. Adds APRNs to those persons who may authorize emergency placement and determine the need for emergency admission to a nursing facility prior to screening.

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- 6** **Income deductions.** Amends § 256B.0575, subd. 1. Adds APRNs to those persons who may certify that a person is expected to reside in long-term care for three months or less, for purposes of allocating income to an institutionalized person in an amount equal to the MA standard for a family size of one.
- 7** **Homestead exception to transfer prohibition.** Amends § 256B.0595, subd. 3. Adds APRNs to those persons who may certify that an institutionalized individual's live-in son or daughter provided care to that individual that allowed them to stay in the home, for purposes of the homestead exception to the MA asset transfer prohibition.
- 8** **Skilled and intermediate nursing care.** Amends § 256B.0625, subd. 2. Adds APRNs to those persons who may certify that a patient has a terminal illness and that moving the patient is not in the patient's best interests, for purposes of MA coverage of swing bed nursing care.
- 9** **Parents, guardian.** Amends § 259.24, subd. 2. Adds APRNs to those persons with whom a minor parent may consult when consenting to the adoption of a child.
- 10** **Child in need of protection or services.** Amends § 260C.007, subd. 6. Adds APRNs to the provision describing medical neglect and the withholding of medically indicated treatment.