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Overview

This bill would make an administrative law judge's decision regarding the license of a family child care or group family child care provider the final decision of the commissioner. Currently, under section 254A.08, subdivision 4, an administrative law judge recommends whether or not the commissioner's order should be affirmed, and the commissioner makes the final decision about a licensure issue. Either party may appeal the administrative law judge's final decision under existing judicial review processes.

Section

- 1 Recommendation or decision of administrative law judge.** Amends § 245A.08, subd. 4. Makes the decision of an administrative law judge the final decision of the commissioner, after a hearing relating to a family child care or group family child care license. The decision is binding on the commissioner and the licensee. The administrative law judge's decision must be:
 - (1) consistent with chapter 245A and the applicable licensing rules;
 - (2) in writing and accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law; and
 - (3) mailed to the parties by certified mail to the parties' last known addresses.
- 2 Notice of commissioner's final order.** Amends § 245A.08, subd. 5. Specifies that the subdivision does not apply to hearings relating to family child care provider or group family child care provider licenses.