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Overview

This bill, if passed, would require the commissioner of human services to review county agency compliance and licensor training for family child care every two years, rather than every four years, under current law. This bill would also require the commissioner to establish a county licensor family child care training curriculum, require county licensors to complete the training curriculum, and require county agencies to document the training completed.

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- 1 Certification by commissioner. Amends § 245A.16, subd.6. Requires commissioner to review county agency compliance with family child care laws and rules, and licensor training requirements every two years.
- Family child care licensing oversight. Adds subdivision to § 245A.16. (a) Requires commissioner to develop a training curriculum for all county agency family child care licensors. Specifies that curriculum must include at least the following topics:
 - (1) family child care licensing standards;
 - (2) family child care provider training requirements;
 - (3) licensing functions;
 - (4) license application procedures;
 - (5) variance request procedures;
 - (6) investigations of licensed and unlicensed programs;

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- (7) correction orders and conditional licenses;
- (8) negative licensing actions;
- (9) enforcing orders, contested case proceedings, information dispositions;
- (10) administrative and recordkeeping requirements; and
- (11) legislative changes to licensing standards.
- (b) Requires county licensors to complete a training curriculum before conducing licensing inspections and investigations, and every three years thereafter. Requires that training be provided by a county licensing supervisor or other licensor who has completed the curriculum. Specifies that training on administrative requirements must be completed annually, and that training on legislative changes must be completed in years when applicable changes have been made.
- (c) Requires county licensors conducting inspections or investigations prior to the effective date of this subdivision to complete the training curriculum within one year of when the training is available.
- (d) Requires county agencies to document and maintain records of training completed by each county licensor. Requires county licensors to complete at least six hours of training annually. Specifies that this training curriculum satisfies the ongoing training requirements in Minnesota Rules, part 9543.0130.

Makes this section effective the day following final enactment.