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Overview

This bill makes changes to how data is shared by and with government entities within the welfare system. It also appropriates money for the at-home infant child care program.

Section

- 1 **Community service system access to educational data.** Provides that entities within the community service system may request education data from a school in order to coordinate services for a student or family. The school may not release the data without consent from the student's parent or legal guardian.
- 2 **Definitions.** Amends the definition subdivision of the welfare data section to define:
 - “programs” to include certain programs offered by a Native American tribe; and
 - “community services system” (or “welfare system”) to include county public health, veterans, and housing agencies, as well as Native American tribes offering community services.
- 3 **Welfare data.** Provides that entities within the welfare system may disclose welfare data to:
 - the chief administrative officer of a school for purposes of coordinating services for a student and family; and
 - county correctional agencies to the extent necessary to coordinate services.
- 4 **Disclosure of court services data.** Provides that private or confidential court services data may be disclosed to personnel in the county community services system.

Section

- 5** **Release of data to mandated reporters.** Clarifies current law regarding data sharing between local child protection agencies and mandated reporters.
- 6** **Appropriation.** Blank appropriation for fiscal year 2018 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for the at-home infant child care program.
- 7** **Revisor’s instruction.** The term “welfare data” should be replaced by “community services data” throughout Minnesota Statutes and Minnesota Rules.
- 8** **Repealer.** Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 13.468, concerning data sharing among counties.