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Overview

This bill requires facilities using security screening systems to pay registration fees for those systems to the commissioner of health, and exempts operators of security screening systems at a correctional or detention facility from the examination requirements that apply to other operators of x-ray equipment. The commissioner of health is authorized to adopt rules regarding operators of security screening systems.

Section

- 1 Fees for ionizing radiation-producing equipment.** Amends § 144.121, subd. 1a. Adds security screening systems to the types of ionizing radiation-producing equipment required to pay the commissioner of health an annual base registration fee of \$100, plus \$100 per each security screening system.
- 2 Exemption from examination requirements; operators of security screening systems.** Adds subd. 9 to § 144.121. Exempts an employee of a correctional or detention facility who operates a security screening system from the examination requirements that otherwise apply to persons who operate x-ray equipment. These employees and the facilities in which they work must meet the requirements to obtain a variance from the examination requirements, until the commissioner of health adopts rules governing security screening systems. For purposes of this subdivision, a security screening system refers to radiation-producing equipment designed and used to screen humans in custody at a correctional or detention facility, to identify concealed contraband items on those persons.

Section

- 3** **Rulemaking.** Authorizes the commissioner of health to adopt rules governing operators of security screening systems at correctional or detention facilities.
- 4** **Appropriation.** Makes blank appropriations in fiscal years 2019 and 2020 from the state government special revenue fund to the commissioner of health, for the regulation of x-ray machines and other sources of ionizing radiation.