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Overview

This bill authorizes the commissioner of veterans affairs to contract with certain individuals and entities to provide alternative treatment options for veterans with traumatic brain injuries or PTSD.

Section

1 Alternative treatment options.

- **Subd. 1. Definitions.** Defines the following terms for purposes of this section: "accelerated resolution therapy," "acupuncture," "alternative treatment," "equine therapy," "hyperbaric oxygen therapy," "meditation therapy," "music therapy," "outdoor and indoor sports therapy," "service animal training therapy," and "yoga therapy."
- **Subd. 2. Authority to contract.** Authorizes the commissioner of veterans affairs to contract with providers of alternative treatment options to provide services to veterans with traumatic brain injuries or PTSD.
- **Subd. 3. Rulemaking authority.** Authorizes the commissioner to adopt rules to implement this proposal.