

Subject Veterans Home Closure Authority

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Summary

This bill authorizes the commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to close a veterans home in the event that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services issues an involuntary termination notice for a Minnesota veterans home. This grant of authority will bring the agency into compliance with applicable veterans home regulations contained in the US Code of Federal Regulations.

This grant of legislative authority is necessary because current law prohibits the commissioner from closing a veterans home without legislative approval.