

## S.F. No. 1969 – Assisted Living Facilities and Services Provisions Modification

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**S.F. No. 1969** makes various modifications to the licensing standards for assisted living facilities.

**Section 1 (144G.19, subdivision 4)** removes an existing exemption from the new construction requirements for new licenses issued as a result of a required change of an assisted living facility licensee.

**Section 2 (144G.41, subdivision 1)** is intended to modify the requirements related to meal services provided in an assisted living facility by allowing exemptions for the Minnesota Food Code for facilities with ten or fewer residents by allowing small facilities to share a certified food production manager, to have an alternative arrangement for handwashing, to have a textured ceiling, to have enclosed hollow bases under kitchen cabinets that do not have removeable kick-plates, and have non-shatter-resistant lightbulbs in a kitchen.

**Section 3 (144G.42, subdivision 6)** clarifies that the assisted living facility is responsible for having an abuse prevention plan for each resident of the facility receiving assisted living services from the facility, not for every vulnerable adult living in the facility.

**Section 4 (144G.45, subdivision 4)** creates an exception to the design requirements for newly licensed assisted living facilities by allowing the use of an existing building, provided the building meets a specified set of minimum standards.

**Section 5 (144G.45, subdivision 5)** creates an exception to the life and safety design requirements for newly licensed assisted living facilities by allowing the use of an existing building, provided the building meets a specified set of minimum standards.

**Section 6 (144G.63, subdivision 1)** creates an exception to an existing staff orientation requirement by allowing facilities to transfer employees between affiliated facilities without requiring the employees to repeat the orientation at each facility.

**Section 7 (144G.70, subdivision 2)** creates an exception to an existing requirement that all assessments be conducted and signed by a registered nurse by allowing any licensed nurse to perform reassessments that are not triggered by a change in condition.