

S.F. No. 446 – Home and community-based services standards for out-of-home respite care services for children modification

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S.F. 446 adds section **245D.13 – OUT OF HOME RESPITE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN**, which modifies home and community-based services standards for out-of-home respite services for children.

Subdivision 1 requires a license holder with a home and community-based services license providing out-of-home respite services for children to do so only in a licensed setting unless exempt.

Subdivision 2 specifies when a license holder may provide out-of-home respite services for children in an unlicensed residential setting by clarifying that the exemption from the requirement that respite for children be provided in a licensed setting does not apply to respite provided to children in foster care under Chapters 260C or 260D, and by requiring that all employees have completed a background study, the setting be approved by the recipient's case manager and legal representative, all service recipients in the setting be under the age of 22, the provider's license has been in good standing for the previous 24 months, and other specified conditions.

Subdivision 3 specifies documentation requirements.

