

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; designating certain nursing facilities in Rice County  
1.3 as metro for purposes of determining reimbursement rates; amending Minnesota  
1.4 Statutes 2006, section 256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 256B.431, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 44. **County designation.** (a) For rate years beginning on or after July 1, 2007,  
1.9 and subject to paragraph (b), nursing facilities in Rice County located within two miles of  
1.10 Scott County or Dakota County shall be considered metro, in order to:

1.11 (1) determine rate increases under this section, section 256B.434, or any other  
1.12 section; and

1.13 (2) establish nursing facility reimbursement rates for any new nursing facility  
1.14 reimbursement system developed under section 256B.440.

1.15 (b) Paragraph (a) applies only if designation as a metro facility results in a level  
1.16 of reimbursement that is higher than the level the facility would have received without  
1.17 application of paragraph (a).