

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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To Representative Hines:

After talking with Dick Sweet, I understood that the ten-year public health agenda document developed by DHFS specifies services, as well as objectives, and that both services and objectives should, by DHFS rule, become additional required services for Level II and Level III local health departments. However, the proposed language change for s. 251.20 (2) and (3), stats., required that all the objectives and services be addressed for both Level II and Level III local health departments, which seemed to make the requirements the same for both Levels. (Current law requires that at least one of the objectives be included in Level II services and that at least three of the objectives be included in Level III services.) Therefore, to give DHFS some leeway in its rulemaking if differing services or objectives would be appropriate for the two Levels, I have combined s. 251.20 (2), stats., into s. 251.20 (3), stats., and added language indicating that DHFS determines which additional required services for the two levels appropriately address the objectives or services specified in the most recent public health agenda. Please review.

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