

A bill for an act
relating to human services; increasing nursing facility payment rates to the
geographic group III median rate; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section
256B.431, by adding a subdivision.

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

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

Subd. 44. **Rate increase for nursing facilities.** Effective October 1, 2007,
operating payment rates of all nursing facilities that are reimbursed under this section,
section 256B.434, or 256B.441, shall be increased to be equal, for a RUG's rate with a
weight of 1.00, to the geographic group III median rate for the same RUG's weight. The
percentage of the operating payment rate for each facility to be case-mix adjusted shall be
equal to the percentage that is case-mix adjusted in that facility's September 30, 2007,
operating payment rate. This subdivision shall apply only if it results in a rate increase.
Increases provided by this subdivision shall be added to the rate determined under any
new reimbursement system established under section 256B.441.