



# ARRM's 2020 Policy Bill SF 3117/ HF 3206

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## Bill Highlights



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CAREGIVERS STATEWIDE



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ADDITIONAL COST TO STATE



INCREASED TIME PROVIDING  
SUPPORTS

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## Sensible Timelines

Current statute requires providers to meet with individuals within 45 days of the first day of service to discuss how services are going, set goals and make adjustments to services moving forward.

This timeline makes sense for services that are provided to an individual every day. However, for services that are provided sporadically, the 45 days can feel rushed, forced, and can be an un-welcome intrusion to the individual receiving services.

ARRM's proposal would add language allowing for the meeting to happen within 45 days of the first day of services OR 60 calendar days, whichever is shorter,

This extension of time will allow the provider and the individual more time to get to know each other and result in more productive planning meetings.

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## Focused Training

Each individual that receives services has what is called a Community Service Support Plan (CSSP) and a CSSP Addendum. Items within the CSSP Addendum are items specific to the individual and how they want to receive services.

Current statute allows for providers to designate someone qualified to train staff on the items in the CSSP Addendum, but still requires providers to come in after the training to determine staff competency.

ARRM's proposal would allow the person that is deemed competent to provide the training to also to determine staff competency.

# Sensible Reforms- Quality Supports

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## Maximize Staff Capacity

Prior to June of 2019, providers had been allowed to request a license to serve five individuals in one home. This provision had been an important option that providers had utilized when navigating the growing workforce crisis across the state before it expired.

ARRM's proposal would bring back the option for providers to obtain a license to support five individuals, with a new sunset date of June 30, 2024.

Additionally, while the sunset date for this provision was extended in past sessions, the date for which a setting must be licensed to qualify was not, leaving some established providers unable to obtain a license.

ARRM's proposal would revise that language stating that providers must be licensed by 2016 in order to be able to serve five individuals in a residential setting and remove the sunset date.

## ABOUT ARRM

ARRM is an association of providers, businesses and advocates dedicated to leading the advancement of community-based services that support people with disabilities in their pursuit of meaningful lives. We represent 160 providers who employ roughly 30,000 people. They provide supports for thousands of Minnesotans with developmental and physical disabilities, brain injury, mental illness and autism.

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