



The following table illustrates the key differences between Chapter 402A: The Human Services Redesign and HF1579, the Minnesota Accountable Government Innovation and Collaboration “MAGIC” Act currently being proposed by the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC).

Ch. 402A: Human Services REDESIGN (SDA's)	MAGIC ACT
Requires structural change – merging county human service departments (required only for counties with population under 55,000)	No structural change required but does not prohibit restructuring
Specific to human services	May include, but is not limited to human services.
Allows for waiver from process requirements to achieve outcomes (no sunset but evaluation required)	Allows for pilot programs to improve outcomes (which must later be ratified by legislature to become permanent)
Exempts SDA from selected Maintenance of Effort Requirements*	May exempt participating counties temporarily from MOES
Requires memorandum of agreement that specifies services to be provided, performance goals, resources available, and other elements	Requires county to submit alternative service delivery business plan'
Requires recommendation from Redesign Council & approval by DHS Commissioner	Requires approval of outcome goals and performance measures from appropriate State Agency; allows state agency to comment on and recommend changes to service delivery plan.
Allows commissioner to seek/grant waivers from state and federal laws/rules	Must not prejudice a substantial legal right, violate due process or state/federal law, or jeopardize federal funding.
Does not address counties' authority to exercise powers not expressly defined in statute	Allows counties to do whatever is not expressly prohibited by state law (Cooley doctrine)
Requires performance measures to be established across all essential human services for which all counties will be held accountable (3-year process)	Requires participating counties to identify performance measures/outcomes to be achieved

**proposed in HHS finance bill vetoed by Governor*