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Lancaster v. Department of Human Services

Supreme Court of Minnesota - March 12, 2025 - N.W.3d - 2025 WL 778892

Licensed provider of foster care services for adults filed petition for writ of certiorari, seeking review of correction order issued by county on behalf of Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) concerning alleged violations of statute governing licensure of adult foster homes.

The Court of Appeals determined that correction order was not appealable and dismissed provider's appeal. Provider filed petition for review.

The Supreme Court held that correction order regarding violations of statute governing adult foster homes did not constitute binding decision, as required for order to be quasi-judicial conduct subject to writ of certiorari.

Correction order issued by county on behalf of the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) concerning alleged violations of the statute governing licensure of adult foster homes by licensed provider of foster care services for adults did not constitute a binding decision regarding a disputed claim, as required for the order to be a quasi-judicial conduct subject to writ of certiorari; order did not bind and irrevocably fix provider's legal rights as a license holder, but rather, merely notified provider of the alleged violations, advised him of the possibility for sanctions if he failed to address the alleged violations, and provided him with an opportunity to seek reconsideration.