Summary of Major Changes in SNHD 2026 Public Accommodation Regulations

Section 1 – General Provisions

Major Changes:

- Unnecessary and unused definitions were removed, and key definitions were added
  - Modified PA Facility definition – added 30+ stay day exemption (pg. 7)
  - Added Short-term Residential Rental as being exempt from PA regs (pg. 9)
- Unnecessary Appendixes removed and one added (Table of Contents).

Section 2 – Substantial Hazards to Public Health and Safety

Major Changes:

- None

Section 3 – Facilities and Equipment

Major Changes:

- Plan review requirements were outlined in Section 10.
- Added language regarding installation of GFCI protection (3.9), disinfection of recirculation systems of whirlpool tubs (3.11.7), prohibition of cellulose sponges (3.11.6) and backflow protection on hose bibbs (3.14.5).

Section 4 – General Sanitation

Major Changes:

- Added language regarding protecting mattresses from contamination with waterproof barriers (4.3.5).

Section 5 – Pest Control

Major Changes:

- Unnecessary and unused language was removed, and the section was restructured.
- Updated 5.4.1 to reduce the timeframe that facilities must retain pest control records from two years to one year.

Section 6 – Employees

Major Changes:

- Added language to specify handwashing should be conducted in between handling dirty and clean linen (6.3), each employee restroom must have mounted soap, paper towels and hot/cold running water (6.5) and staff that collect ice from publicly accessible ice machines do not need health cards (6.6)

Section 7 – Food Service and Food Service Facilities

Major Changes:

- Added language to clarify that coffee may be provided in a guest lobby without a health permit and if a 3-compartment sink is not available then all coffee cups and other items must be disposable (7.3.3)

Section 8 – SCRV Dry Camping at Public Accommodation Facilities

Major Changes:

- Removed Original Section 8 Bed and Breakfast, restructured regulations to have SCRVs in this section
- Changed from recommendation to requirement the posting of three signs (water, sewage disposal, solid waste disposal) (8.10)

Section 9 - Health Permits

Major Changes:

- None

Chapter 10 – Plan Review and Submission and Approval Date

Major Changes:

- Plan Review requirements outlined with more detail (10.2.2)

Section 11 – Inspections

Major Changes:

- None

Section 12 – Enforcement

Major Changes:

- Changed appeal timeframe from 10 business days to 30 days (12.6).
- Hearing Officer section updated to mirror Solid Waste and Compliance regulations. (12.7).

Section 13 – Miscellaneous

Major Changes:

- Removed 13.2.3 – SCRVs are already part of the regulations in section 8.