1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 3223 as follows:

1.2 Page 2, delete lines 14 to 16 and insert:

1.3 "(j) The commissioner, in order to address bed capacity shortfalls, shall attempt to

1.4 complete negotiations by January 1, 2017, of a contract to operate and purchase or lease

1.5 with an option to buy an existing prison facility with a capacity of at least 1,500 beds

1.6 located in Appleton, Minnesota. The contract negotiated under this paragraph must be

1.7 reviewed and approved by the legislature before its final execution."