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Overview

This bill provides that the state is responsible for costs related to the commitment of sexually dangerous persons and persons with sexual psychopathic personalities.

Financial responsibility. Specifies that, when a petition is filed for commitment of an inmate of a correctional institution under section 244.05, subdivision 7 (requiring the commissioner to make a preliminary determination on whether certain sex offenders should be committed as sexually dangerous persons or persons with psychopathic personalities prior to release), the state is solely responsible for all costs relating to the petition and the cost of a person's treatment and confinement at a state facility or county jail, both prior to and following commitment. Provides that this provision applies regardless of other laws which would make the county responsible for costs of care.

Defines a "state facility" to mean a facility owned or operated by the state of Minnesota and under the direction and control of the commissioner of human services. A state facility includes regional treatment centers, state nursing homes, state-operated, community-based programs, and other facilities owned or operated by the state and under the commissioner's control.