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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill amends and repeals outdated and redundant statutes relating to the Department of Corrections (DOC).

#### Section

- 1 Commissioner, powers and duties.** Deletes an obsolete reference to inmates serving on the board of directors or holding executive positions subordinate to the correctional staff on prison corporations, industry, or educational programs. This policy was found to be unsuccessful and was discontinued many years ago.
- 2 Dispositions.** Deletes an obsolete reference MCF–Sauk Centre, which no longer exists.
- 3 Community-based programming.** Deletes an obsolete reference to the PREPARE program at MCF–Red Wing. The program no longer exists.
- 4 Probation services.** Deletes obsolete language regarding training of new probation and supervised release officers at the University of Minnesota. DOC agents are trained through the agency’s academy and the University of Minnesota does not currently have short training programs for agents.
- 5 Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision.** Relates to the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision. The changes make the Minnesota Statutes consistent with the retaking process under the compact, as well as providing consistency with Minnesota time frames for having a probable cause hearing.
- 6 Annual report.** Relates to the Advisory Council on Interstate Adult Offender Supervision’s annual report. The requested information in this report is already provided in the report prepared by the National Interstate Commission.

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- 7 Interstate Compact on Juveniles.** Delete obsolete statutory language in the Interstate Compact on Juveniles (Minnesota Statutes, section 260.515) to maintain agreement with other states in the compact.
- 8 Expense of returning juveniles to state, payment.** Delete obsolete statutory language in the Interstate Compact on Juveniles (Minnesota Statutes, section 260.515) to maintain agreement with other states in the compact.
- 9 Counsel or guardian ad litem for juvenile, fees.** Delete obsolete statutory language in the Interstate Compact on Juveniles (Minnesota Statutes, section 260.515) to maintain agreement with other states in the compact.
- 10 Repealer.** Repeals the following sections of Minnesota Statutes:
- 241.022 – Grants-In-Aid to Counties for Adult Detention Facilities and Programs. DOC has not distributed any funds to counties for construction of adult detention facilities in over 15 years.
  - 241.0221 – Juvenile Detention Services Subsidy Program. DOC has not distributed any funds to counties for construction of juvenile detention facilities in over 15 years.
  - 241.024 – Designation of Chief Executive Officers of State Correctional Facilities. This statute is redundant. This provision is covered under M.S. 241.01, subdivision 3, paragraph (g).
  - 241.34 – Penalty for Unauthorized Release of Information. This statute is redundant. This provision is covered under existing data privacy laws in Chapter 13 of Minnesota Statutes.
  - 242.37 – Conservation Camps. This statute is obsolete. The DOC does not run conservation camps.
  - 242.56 – Work and Learn Facilities for Youth. This statute is obsolete. Referenced programs no longer exist.
  - 243.18 – Work Required. This statute is redundant. This provision is covered under M.S. 241.01, subdivision 3a, paragraph (g).
  - 243.64 – Sale of Land Acquired on Collection of a Debt for Articles Manufactured or Processed by Correctional Industries. This provision is obsolete. This provision was used when the DOC sold farm equipment. When a farmer could not make payment on a piece of machinery he bought from the department, DOC was authorized to take land as a payment. DOC no longer sells farm equipment.
  - 260.52 Definitions used in the Interstate Compact on Juveniles. These terms are obsolete in relation to the current Compact.

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- 260.54 – Supplementary Agreements (to the Interstate Compact on Juveniles). This language conflicts with the current Compact