

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; appropriating money for reimbursements to counties for  
1.3 costs associated with housing short-term offenders.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$6,458,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and \$6,458,000 for the fiscal  
1.7 year ending June 30, 2009, are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
1.8 of corrections for costs associated with the housing and care of short-term offenders.  
1.9 The commissioner may use up to 20 percent of the total amount of the appropriation for  
1.10 inpatient medical care for short-term offenders with less than six months to serve as  
1.11 affected by the changes made to Minnesota Statutes, section 609.105, as amended by  
1.12 Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 2, article 5, sections 7 to 9. All funds remaining  
1.13 at the end of the fiscal year not expended for inpatient medical care must be added to  
1.14 and distributed with the housing funds. These funds must be distributed proportionately  
1.15 based on the total number of days short-term offenders are placed locally, not to exceed  
1.16 \$70 per day. Short-term offenders may be housed in a state correctional facility at the  
1.17 discretion of the commissioner.

1.18 The Department of Corrections is exempt from the state contracting process for the  
1.19 purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 609.105, as amended by Laws 2003, First Special  
1.20 Session chapter 2, article 5, sections 7 to 9.