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Bill Summary

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Overview

Directs the Commissioner of Corrections to use \$4,000,000 in bond proceeds to purchase the former Minnesota Correctional Facility-Sauk Centre. The commissioner must use the facility as a minimum-security prison.

The Department of Corrections used the site as a juvenile correctional facility until 1999. The state sold the facility to a private party in 2001. The owner would like to sell the property back to the state for the state to use as a place to house nonviolent offenders.