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Prairie du Chien Kitchen Operation (DOC -- Adult Correctional Facilities)

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CURRENT LAW

The Prairie du Chien facility is designated as a juvenile secured correctional facility, but is currently operated as an adult prison under contract with the Division of Juvenile Corrections for inmates who are not more than 21 years of age and who are not violent offenders. The facility houses an average daily population (ADP) of 300 inmates.

GOVERNOR

Provide 3.0 PR positions for the operation of the kitchen at the Prairie du Chien secured correctional facility.

MODIFICATION TO BILL

Delete \$85,200 in 2001-02 and \$111,500 in 2002-03 relating to the Prairie du Chien secured correctional facility. Transfer \$83,700 and 2.0 positions annually to Prairie du Chien from the Ethan Allen and the Lincoln Hills Schools and authorize a reduction to statutory daily rates for secured juvenile correctional facility care to reflect the transfer.

Explanation: Food services at the Prairie du Chien facility were converted from a vendor contract to operation by Corrections' staff late in 2000. The bill provides no additional expenditure authority for the positions or other operating costs because the kitchen operations would be funded by reallocating funds previously used for the vendor contract. However, funding under the bill was not adjusted to reflect the cost difference between the 6.5 positions requested by the Department and the 3.0 positions provided under the bill. The modification corrects expenditure authority to reflect the bill's provision. Further, the modification authorizes a reduction in daily rates for secured juvenile correctional facility care to reflect a transfer of \$83,700 and 2.0 positions

annually to the Prairie du Chien facility from the Ethan Allen School (1.0 position) and the Lincoln Hills School (1.0 position). The position transfer, which relates to the operation of the Prairie du Chien kitchen, has already occurred, but salary and fringe benefit costs are currently included in the cost basis for daily rates. The modification would result in an annual reduction to the daily rate of about \$0.24.

| Modification | PR |
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| 2001-03 FUNDING (Change to Bill) | - \$196,700 |

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