

(f) To utilize state correctional facilities in the manner deemed to be most efficient and beneficial to accomplish the purposes of this section, but not to close the Minnesota Correctional Facility-Stillwater or the Minnesota Correctional Facility-St. Cloud without legislative approval. The commissioner may place juveniles and adults at the same state minimum security correctional facilities, if there is total separation of and no regular contact between juveniles and adults, except contact incidental to admission, classification, and mental and physical health care.

(g) To organize the department and employ personnel the commissioner deems necessary to discharge the functions of the department, including a chief executive officer for each facility under the commissioner's control who shall serve in the unclassified civil service and may, under the provisions of section 43A.33, be removed only for cause.

(h) To define the duties of these employees and to delegate to them any of the commissioner's powers, duties and responsibilities, subject to the commissioner's control and the conditions the commissioner prescribes.

(i) To annually develop a comprehensive set of goals and objectives designed to clearly establish the priorities of the Department of Corrections. This report shall be submitted to the governor commencing January 1, 1976. The commissioner may establish ad hoc advisory committees.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. **[243.95] PRIVATE PRISON CONTRACTS PROHIBITED.**

The commissioner may not contract with privately owned and operated prisons for the care, custody, and rehabilitation of offenders committed to the custody of the commissioner.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. **[641.015] PLACEMENT IN PRIVATE PRISONS PROHIBITED.**

Subdivision 1. **Placement prohibited.** After August 1, 2017, a sheriff shall not allow inmates committed to the custody of the sheriff to be housed in facilities that are not owned and operated by a local government, or a group of local units of government.

Subd. 2. **Contracts prohibited.** The county board may not authorize the sheriff to contract with privately owned and operated prisons for the care, custody, and rehabilitation of offenders committed to the custody of the sheriff.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.