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A bill for an act

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relating to corrections; authorizing the removal of the ombudsperson only for just

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cause; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 241.90.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 241.90, is amended to read:

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241.90 OFFICE OF OMBUDSPERSON; CREATION; QUALIFICATIONS;

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FUNCTION.

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The Office of Ombudsperson for the Department of Corrections is hereby created. The

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ombudsperson shall ~~serve at the pleasure of~~ be appointed by the governor in the unclassified

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service; and may be removed only for just cause. The ombudsperson shall be selected without

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regard to political affiliation, and shall be a person highly competent and qualified to analyze

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questions of law, administration, and public policy. No person may serve as ombudsperson

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while holding any other public office. The ombudsperson for corrections shall be accountable

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to the governor and shall have the authority to investigate decisions, acts, and other matters

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of the Department of Corrections so as to promote the highest attainable standards of

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competence, efficiency, and justice in the administration of corrections.