

risk to public safety, after weighing factors including the individual's stability, behavior, or overall adjustment while on supervision. For individuals with lifetime terms of conditional release, the commissioner shall not place the individual on supervision abatement status unless the time served on active supervision plus earned compliance credits equals at least ten years.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective September 1, 2026.

**Sec. 7. COMMUNITY SUPERVISION WORKING GROUP.**

**Subdivision 1. Establishment.** A working group is established to study and make recommendations on statutory changes needed to provide clarity regarding the roles, responsibilities, and obligations of supervision delivery systems when a county transitions between state-operated and county-operated community supervision systems.

**Subd. 2. Membership.** (a) The working group shall consist of the following members:

(1) four representatives appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties, at least two of whom must be county administrators from counties that have experienced a transition between supervision delivery systems; and

(2) four representatives appointed by the commissioner of corrections, with expertise in human resources, finance, compensation plans, and agency administration.

(b) Members of the working group serve without compensation.

**Subd. 3. Meetings.** (a) The commissioner of corrections shall convene the first meeting of the working group no later than August 1, 2026, and shall provide meeting space and administrative assistance as necessary for the working group to conduct its work. The working group shall meet sufficiently enough to accomplish the tasks identified in this section.

(b) Meetings of the working group are subject to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13D.

**Subd. 4. Duties.** The working group shall study and develop recommendations on the following:

(1) the respective roles, responsibilities, and obligations of the sending and receiving entities when a transition occurs;

(2) the treatment of employee compensation, including but not limited to salary placement, benefits, and accrued leave;

43.1 (3) the allocation of financial responsibility between entities, including timing and  
43.2 method of payment for employee-related costs;

43.3 (4) differences between state and county employment systems, including compensation  
43.4 structures, leave systems, and benefit administration, and how those differences affect  
43.5 transitions;

43.6 (5) operations and administrative considerations, including timelines, fiscal year start  
43.7 dates, staffing transitions, data transfers, training needs, policy development, and continuity  
43.8 of supervision services;

43.9 (6) budgetary and fiscal impacts associated with transitions, including impacts on  
43.10 resources and positions shared between counties;

43.11 (7) any statutory ambiguities or gaps that create uncertainty or disputes during transitions;  
43.12 and

43.13 (8) any other issues identified by the working group that are necessary to ensure clear,  
43.14 consistent, and fair transition processes.

43.15 Subd. 5. **Consultation.** In carrying out its duties, the working group must consult with:

43.16 (1) the Minnesota Association of Community Corrections Act Counties;

43.17 (2) the Minnesota Association of Community Probation Officers;

43.18 (3) the Department of Corrections Field Services director and the director's leadership  
43.19 team; and

43.20 (4) labor organizations representing affected employees.

43.21 Subd. 6. **Report.** By December 15, 2026, the working group shall submit a report to the  
43.22 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
43.23 public safety and judiciary policy and finance. The report must include recommended  
43.24 statutory changes to address the issues identified in subdivision 4. The report must also  
43.25 include recommendations to address any delivery system transitions that occurred after July  
43.26 1, 2023, to ensure that they align with the proposed statutory changes, including whether  
43.27 the county or the Department of Corrections should be reimbursed for transition expenses  
43.28 by legislative appropriation.

43.29 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** The working group expires upon submission of the report required  
43.30 under subdivision 6.