



LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF WOMEN

ROOM G-22 STATE CAPITOL • ST. PAUL, MN 55155 • 651.296.8590 OR 1.800.657.3949

www.lcesw.leg.mn • lcesw@commissions.leg.state.mn.us • fax: 651.296.7747

FEMALE OFFENDERS AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM HEARING

Tuesday, November 16, 2004, 9 A.M. to 12 Noon

Room G-15 of the State Capitol

AGENDA

Dan Storkamp, Director of Information Technology

Minnesota Department of Corrections

Female offenders and crime in Minnesota, a 30 year overview

Barbara Tombs, Executive Director

Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission

Convictions and sentencing trends of adult females (with felony convictions)

Gender differences in sentencing

Rick Hillengass, Warden, and Michele Kopfmann, Associate Warden of Operations

Shakopee Prison for Women

History of the Shakopee facility

Physical plant and perimeter

Managing the daily issues of a female population

Offender programming

Patricia Orud, Corrections Director of Behavioral Health

Minnesota Department of Corrections

Mental health and substance abuse of female inmates

Kimberley Greer, Chair of Minnesota Female Offender Task Force

The Minnesota Female Offender Task Force

Mary Scully-Whitaker, Justice Consultant

National best practice programs for female offenders

Louise Wolfgramm, President

AMICUS

Girl's Restorative Justice Program--A program helping serious and chronic female juvenile offenders build new lives

Sisters Helping Sisters--support for women of color leaving prison and re-entering life

Lynn Vincent, Chief Executive Officer

Jenny Brayman, Outreach Executive

Cannon Valley Girls Scout Council

Girl Scouting Beyond Bars--a program designed to help nurture a positive, on-going relationship between incarcerated mothers and their daughters, to reduce recidivism and instill a sense of hope in the lives of both.

SENATE MEMBERS: Sen. Linda Berglin • Sen. Leo Foley • Sen. Becky Lourey • Sen. Julianne Ortman • Sen. Sandra Pappas

HOUSE MEMBERS: Rep. Karen Clark • Rep. Mindy Greiling • Rep. Joe Hoppe • Rep. Connie Ruth • Rep. Barb Sykora

STAFF: Diane Cushman, Director • Cheryl Hoiium, Assistant Director • Michelle Pryce, Communications & Policy Specialist