## MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



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Dear Members:

Pursuant to Minnesota Laws 2003, 1<sup>st</sup> Special Session, Chapter 2, Article 10, Section 4, Subdivision 1; the Commissioner of Public Safety is to report on the amount of money appropriated to the Commissioner of Public Safety under Minnesota Statutes 609.3241 since the beginning of fiscal year 1998. This section refers to the assessments imposed for prostitution-related offenses.

Any portion of assessments imposed in excess of the mandatory minimum were to be appropriated to the Commissioner of Corrections from fiscal year 1998 – fiscal year 2003 and were to be used for grants to agencies that provide assistance to individuals who have stopped or wish to stop engaging in prostitution. In 2003, the legislature amended the statute to say that the assessments were to be appropriated annually to the Commissioner of Public Safety beginning in fiscal year 2004.

The Department of Corrections was not appropriated any funds from fiscal year 1998 – fiscal year 2003. The general fund has only collected \$20 in assessments to date in fiscal year 2004.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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Rich Stanek Commissioner

cc: Governor Tim Pawlenty
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