

HB 303 -- PRISON CANTEEN FUNDS

SPONSOR: Hansen

This bill specifies that the chief administrative officer of any correctional center may, with the approval of the Director of the Department of Corrections, establish and operate a canteen or commissary for the use and benefit of the offenders. The bill specifies provisions that shall apply for all money collected and expended for a canteen or commissary before June 30, 2020.

The bill establishes in the state treasury the "Inmate Canteen Fund," and it specifies terms and conditions for the fund, including that the State Treasurer shall be the custodian of the fund and that money in the fund must be used to collect all revenue and pay operating expenses of the inmate canteens. On June 30, 2020, the unexpended balance in any inmate canteen fund shall be transferred from the canteen fund established prior to June 30, 2020, to the canteen fund established after June 30, 2020, and all canteen funds established prior to June 30, 2020, will be abolished.