

<p>The State requires that counties pay for the commitment of psychosexual predators referred from prison who are to be committed to a State institution</p>	<p>M.S. §253B.045 subd. 2 &amp; 3</p>		<p>When sexual psychopaths and sexually dangerous persons complete their prison term, counties may try to commit them to State mental institutions after release. Adjudicating these cases takes a lot of time and the cost of housing these offenders at St. Peter's facility is expensive. The State should fully pay or share the cost of this placement until the offenders is formally released.</p>
<p>The State requires a 10% co-pay from counties for the cost of housing committed psychosexual predators for indefinite periods of time</p>	<p>M.S. §246.54</p>		<p>This is a public safety responsibility of the State's. Counties should be relieved of this responsibility or should be given a finite period of time (5 years?) in which it should be required to pay its 10% co-pay.</p>