

HOUSE BILL 500

By Todd

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41,
relative to correctional institutions and inmates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-8-107, is amended by adding the following language as new subsection (d):

(d)

(1) If a facility in a participating county has not been certified pursuant to the most recently established state jail standards, thereby requiring the use of seventy-five percent (75%) of the subsidy for improving correctional programs or facilities pursuant to subsection (c), the county shall submit to the commissioner a full accounting of the improvements for which the subsidy was used within one year of the grant of the subsidy.

(2) If such county fails to establish that at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the subsidy has been used for required improvements, the commissioner shall withhold any future subsidy pursuant to this chapter from the county, however, the commissioner is authorized to reimburse a county which provides a full accounting to the commissioner of moneys spent upon actual improvements to such a facility.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.