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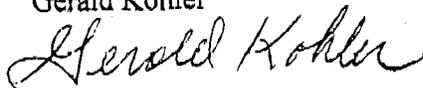
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Justice and Public Safety Committee

Dear Members:

We at Sheridan County have selected the option to board our prisoners out to another regional detention center. I can see that changes made in SB17 & SB18 would give the sheriff the authority to do whatever he decides suits him. The county commissioners would have all the liability and expenses and no authority over how the facility was run or managed. We feel that if the counties are going to have the same liabilities and responsibilities that they should maintain the control. I can see where these changes to the above bills would be just a hornet's nest for the counties. We are very much opposed to the passage of SB17 & SB18 as changed and would like to go on record as such. Our recommendation is to kill the bills as presented.

Gerald Kohler



Sheridan county Commissioner