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# **Sen. Engler Applauds Decision Against Privatization of Food Services**

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JEFFERSON CITY –Sen. Kevin Engler, R-Farmington, received word from the Department of Corrections that their Canteen and Food Services will continue to be run by the state. There was an investigation into the cost and benefit of privatizing the service and laying off the workers who currently are employed in order to save money.

“With the number of prisons we have, this would have been devastating to the area,” said Engler. “I am all for saving the state money, but not at the expense of a large number of peoples’ livelihood. I want to applaud the department for coming to right conclusion.”

The issue of privatization has been a volatile issue for the last two years and has caused a significant amount of stress for the workers that were unsure if they would lose their jobs. Each time the Department of Corrections has decided to continue the program as it has always been run.

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