SENATE AMENDMENTS

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT							
2	relating to juvenile delinquency; providing penalties.							
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:							
4	SECTION 1. Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, is							
5	amended to read as follows:							
6	Art. 2.12. WHO ARE PEACE OFFICERS. The following are peace							
7	officers:							
8	(1) sheriffs, their deputies, and those reserve							
9	deputies who hold a permanent peace officer license issued under							
10	Chapter 1701, Occupations Code;							
11	(2) constables, deputy constables, and those reserve							
12	deputy constables who hold a permanent peace officer license issued							
13	under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code;							
14	(3) marshals or police officers of an incorporated							
15	city, town, or village, and those reserve municipal police officers							
16	who hold a permanent peace officer license issued under Chapter							
17	1701, Occupations Code;							
18	(4) rangers and officers commissioned by the Public							
19	Safety Commission and the Director of the Department of Public							
20	Safety;							
21	(5) investigators of the district attorneys', criminal							
22	district attorneys', and county attorneys' offices;							
23	(6) law enforcement agents of the Texas Alcoholic							

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Beverage Commission;

- 1 (7) each member of an arson investigating unit
- 2 commissioned by a city, a county, or the state;
- 3 (8) officers commissioned under Section 37.081,
- 4 Education Code, or Subchapter E, Chapter 51, Education Code;
- 5 (9) officers commissioned by the General Services
- 6 Commission;
- 7 (10) law enforcement officers commissioned by the
- 8 Parks and Wildlife Commission;
- 9 (11) airport police officers commissioned by a city
- 10 with a population of more than 1.18 million that operates an airport
- 11 that serves commercial air carriers;
- 12 (12) airport security personnel commissioned as peace
- officers by the governing body of any political subdivision of this
- 14 state, other than a city described by Subdivision (11), that
- operates an airport that serves commercial air carriers;
- 16 (13) municipal park and recreational patrolmen and
- 17 security officers;
- 18 (14) security officers and investigators commissioned
- as peace officers by the comptroller;
- 20 (15) officers commissioned by a water control and
- 21 improvement district under Section 49.216, Water Code;
- 22 (16) officers commissioned by a board of trustees
- 23 under Chapter 54, Transportation Code;
- 24 (17) investigators commissioned by the Texas Medical
- 25 [State] Board [of Medical Examiners];
- 26 (18) officers commissioned by the board of managers of
- 27 the Dallas County Hospital District, the Tarrant County Hospital

- 1 District, or the Bexar County Hospital District under Section
- 2 281.057, Health and Safety Code;
- 3 (19) county park rangers commissioned under
- 4 Subchapter E, Chapter 351, Local Government Code;
- 5 (20) investigators employed by the Texas Racing
- 6 Commission;
- 7 (21) officers commissioned under Chapter 554,
- 8 Occupations Code;
- 9 (22) officers commissioned by the governing body of a
- 10 metropolitan rapid transit authority under Section 451.108,
- 11 Transportation Code, or by a regional transportation authority
- 12 under Section 452.110, Transportation Code;
- 13 (23) investigators commissioned by the attorney
- 14 general under Section 402.009, Government Code;
- 15 (24) security officers and investigators commissioned
- 16 as peace officers under Chapter 466, Government Code;
- 17 (25) an officer employed by the [Texas] Department of
- 18 <u>State</u> Health <u>Services</u> under Section 431.2471, Health and Safety
- 19 Code;
- 20 (26) officers appointed by an appellate court under
- 21 Subchapter F, Chapter 53, Government Code;
- 22 (27) officers commissioned by the state fire marshal
- 23 under Chapter 417, Government Code;
- 24 (28) an investigator commissioned by the commissioner
- of insurance under <u>Section 701.104</u> [Article 1.10D], Insurance Code;
- 26 (29) apprehension specialists commissioned by the
- 27 Texas Youth Commission as officers under Section 61.0931, Human

- 1 Resources Code;
- 2 (30) officers appointed by the executive director of
- 3 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice under Section 493.019,
- 4 Government Code;
- 5 (31) investigators commissioned by the Commission on
- 6 Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education under Section
- 7 1701.160, Occupations Code;
- 8 (32) commission investigators commissioned by the
- 9 Texas [Commission on] Private Security Board under Section
- 10 1702.061(f), Occupations Code;
- 11 (33) the fire marshal and any officers, inspectors, or
- 12 investigators commissioned by an emergency services district under
- 13 Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code; [and]
- 14 (34) officers commissioned by the State Board of
- 15 Dental Examiners under Section 254.013, Occupations Code, subject
- to the limitations imposed by that section; and
- 17 (35) investigators commissioned by the Texas Juvenile
- 18 Probation Commission as officers under Section 141.055, Human
- 19 Resources Code.
- SECTION 2. Section 51.03(b), Family Code, is amended to
- 21 read as follows:
- 22 (b) Conduct indicating a need for supervision is:
- 23 (1) subject to Subsection (f), conduct, other than a
- 24 traffic offense, that violates:
- 25 (A) the penal laws of this state of the grade of
- 26 misdemeanor that are punishable by fine only; or
- (B) the penal ordinances of any political

- 1 subdivision of this state;
- 2 (2) the absence of a child on 10 or more days or parts
- 3 of days within a six-month period in the same school year or on
- 4 three or more days or parts of days within a four-week period from
- 5 school;
- 6 (3) the voluntary absence of a child from the child's
- 7 home without the consent of the child's parent or guardian for a
- 8 substantial length of time or without intent to return;
- 9 (4) conduct prohibited by city ordinance or by state
- 10 law involving the inhalation of the fumes or vapors of paint and
- 11 other protective coatings or glue and other adhesives and the
- volatile chemicals itemized in Section 485.001 [484.002], Health
- 13 and Safety Code;
- 14 (5) an act that violates a school district's
- 15 previously communicated written standards of student conduct for
- 16 which the child has been expelled under Section 37.007(c),
- 17 Education Code; or
- 18 (6) conduct that violates a reasonable and lawful
- order of a court entered under Section 264.305.
- SECTION 3. Section 51.0412, Family Code, is amended to read
- 21 as follows:
- Sec. 51.0412. JURISDICTION OVER INCOMPLETE
- 23 PROCEEDINGS. The court retains jurisdiction over a person,
- 24 without regard to the age of the person, who is a respondent in an
- 25 adjudication proceeding, a disposition proceeding, [or] a
- 26 proceeding to modify disposition, or a motion for transfer of
- 27 <u>determinate sentence probation to an appropriate district court</u> if:

- 1 (1) the petition, [or motion to modify, or motion for
- 2 <u>transfer</u> was filed while the respondent was younger than 18 years of
- 3 age;
- 4 (2) the proceeding is not complete before the
- 5 respondent becomes 18 years of age; and
- 6 (3) the court enters a finding in the proceeding that
- 7 the prosecuting attorney exercised due diligence in an attempt to
- 8 complete the proceeding before the respondent became 18 years of
- 9 age.
- SECTION 4. Section 51.072, Family Code, is amended by
- amending Subsections (b), (e), (f), (j), (k), (m), and (n) and
- 12 adding Subsections (f-1) and (m-1) to read as follows:
- (b) When a child on probation moves or intends to move from
- one county to another and intends to remain in the receiving county
- 15 for at least 60 days, the juvenile probation department of the
- sending county shall request that the juvenile probation department
- of the receiving county provide interim supervision of the child.
- 18 If the receiving county and the sending county are member counties
- 19 within a judicial district served by one juvenile probation
- 20 department, then a transfer of probation supervision is not
- 21 required.
- (e) The juvenile probation department of the sending county
- 23 shall provide the juvenile probation department of the receiving
- 24 county with the following information in the request for interim
- 25 supervision initiated under Subsection (d):
- 26 (1) the child's name, sex, age, <u>race,</u> and date of
- 27 birth;

- 1 (2) the name, address, date of birth, and social
- 2 security or driver's license number, and telephone number, if
- 3 <u>available</u>, of the person with whom the child proposes to reside or
- 4 is residing in the receiving county;
- 5 (3) the offense for which the child is on probation;
- 6 (4) the length of the child's probation term;
- 7 (5) a brief summary of the child's history of
- 8 referrals;
- 9 (6) a brief statement of any special needs of the
- 10 child; [and]
- 11 (7) the name and telephone number of the child's school
- 12 <u>in the receiving county</u>, if available; and
- 13 (8) the reason for the child moving or intending to
- 14 move to the receiving county.
- 15 (f) Not later than $\underline{10}$ [five] business days after a receiving
- 16 county has agreed to provide interim supervision of a child, the
- juvenile probation department of the sending county shall provide
- 18 the juvenile probation department of the receiving county with a
- 19 copy of the following documents:
- (1) the petition and the adjudication and disposition
- orders for the child, including the child's thumbprint;
- 22 (2) the child's conditions of probation;
- 23 (3) the social history report for the child;
- 24 (4) any psychological or psychiatric reports
- 25 concerning the child;
- 26 (5) the Department of Public Safety CR 43J form or
- 27 tracking incident number concerning the child;

- 1 (6) any law enforcement incident reports concerning
- 2 the offense for which the child is on probation;
- 3 (7) any sex offender registration information
- 4 concerning the child;
- 5 (8) any juvenile probation department progress
- 6 reports concerning the child and any other pertinent documentation
- 7 for the child's probation officer;
- 8 (9) case plans concerning the child;
- 9 (10) the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission standard
- 10 assessment tool results for the child;
- 11 (11) the computerized referral and case history for
- 12 the child, including case disposition;
- 13 (12) the child's birth certificate;
- 14 (13) the child's social security number or social
- 15 security card, if available;
- 16 (14) the name, address, and telephone number of the
- 17 contact person in the sending county's juvenile probation
- 18 department;
- 19 (15) Title IV-E eligibility screening information for
- 20 the child, if available;
- 21 (16) the address in the sending county for forwarding
- 22 funds collected to which the sending county is entitled;
- 23 (17) any of the child's school or immunization records
- 24 that the juvenile probation department of the sending county
- 25 possesses; and
- 26 (18) any victim information concerning the case for
- 27 which the child is on probation.

1 (f-1) The inter-county transfer officers in the sending and
2 receiving counties shall agree on the official start date for the
3 period of interim supervision, which must begin no later than three
4 business days after the date the documents required under
5 Subsection (f) have been received and accepted by the receiving
6 county.

- (j) On receiving a directive from the juvenile court of the receiving county under Subsection (i)(2), the juvenile probation department of the sending county shall arrange for the prompt transportation of the child back to the sending county at the expense of the sending county. The juvenile probation department in the receiving county shall provide the sending county with supporting written documentation of the incidents of violation of probation on which the request to resume direct supervision is based.
- (k) The juvenile probation department of the receiving county is entitled to any probation supervision fees collected from the child or the child's parent while providing interim supervision for the child. During the period of interim supervision, the receiving county shall collect and distribute to the victim monetary restitution payments in the manner specified by the sending county. At the expiration of the period of interim supervision, the receiving county shall collect and distribute directly to the victim any remaining payments.
- (m) Except as provided by Subsection (n), a period of interim supervision may not exceed 180 days. Permanent supervision automatically transfers to the juvenile probation department of the

receiving county after the expiration of the period of interim supervision. The juvenile probation department of the receiving county may request permanent supervision from the juvenile probation department of the sending county at any time before the 180-day interim supervision period expires. After signing and entry of an order of transfer of permanent supervision by the sending county juvenile court, the juvenile probation department shall, in accordance with Section 51.073(b), promptly send the permanent supervision order and related documents to the receiving county.

(m-1) If a child on interim supervision moves to another county of residence or is otherwise no longer in the receiving county before the expiration of 180 days, the receiving county shall direct the sending county to resume supervision of the child.

(n) Notwithstanding Subsection (m), the period of interim supervision of a child who is placed on probation under Section 54.04(q) does not expire until the child has satisfactorily completed the greater of either 180 days or one-third of the term of probation, including one-third of the term of any extension of the probation term ordered under Section 54.05. Permanent supervision automatically transfers to the probation department of the receiving county after the expiration of the period of interim supervision under this subsection. If the state elects to initiate transfer proceedings under Section 54.051, the [The] juvenile court of the sending county may order transfer of the permanent supervision before the expiration of the period of interim supervision under this subsection.

- 1 SECTION 5. Section 51.073, Family Code, is amended by 2 amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d-1) to read as
- 3 follows:
 - 4 (c) The juvenile court of the receiving county shall require
 - 5 that the child be brought before the court in order to impose new or
 - 6 <u>different</u> conditions of probation than those originally ordered by
 - 7 the sending county or ordered by the receiving county during the
 - 8 period of interim supervision. The child shall be represented by
 - 9 counsel as provided by Section 51.10.
- 10 (d-1) On the final transfer of a case involving a child who
- 11 has been adjudicated as having committed an offense for which
- 12 registration is required under Chapter 62, Code of Criminal
- 13 Procedure, the receiving county shall have jurisdiction to conduct
- 14 a hearing under that chapter. This subsection does not prohibit the
- 15 receiving county juvenile court from considering the written
- 16 recommendations of the sending county juvenile court.
- SECTION 6. Section 51.074, Family Code, is amended to read
- 18 as follows:
- 19 Sec. 51.074. TRANSFER OF PROBATION SUPERVISION BETWEEN
- 20 COUNTIES: DEFERRED PROSECUTION. (a) A juvenile court may
- 21 transfer interim supervision, but not permanent supervision, to the
- 22 county where a child on deferred prosecution resides.
- (b) On an extension of a previous order of deferred
- 24 prosecution authorized under Section 53.03(j), the child shall
- 25 remain on interim supervision for an additional period not to
- 26 <u>exceed 180 days</u>.
- (c) On a violation of the conditions of the original

- 1 deferred prosecution agreement, the receiving county shall forward
- 2 the case to the sending county for prosecution or other action in
- 3 the manner provided by Sections 51.072(i) and (j), except that the
- 4 original conditions of deferred prosecution may not be modified by
- 5 the receiving county.

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- SECTION 7. Section 51.095(f), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:
 - A magistrate who provides the warnings required by Subsection (a)(5) for a $\underline{recorded}$ [$\underline{videotaped}$] statement may at the time the warnings are provided request by speaking on the [tape] recording that the officer return the child and the recording $[\frac{videotape}{}]$ to the magistrate at the conclusion of the process of questioning. The magistrate may then view the recording [videotape] with the child or have the child view the recording [videotape] to enable the magistrate to determine whether the child's statements were given voluntarily. The magistrate's determination of voluntariness shall be reduced to writing and signed and dated by the magistrate. If a magistrate uses the procedure described by this subsection, a child's statement is not admissible unless the magistrate determines that the statement was given voluntarily.
- SECTION 8. Section 51.12, Family Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b-1) and (m) and amending Subsections (c) and (i) to read as follows:
- 25 (b-1) A pre-adjudication secure detention facility may be operated only by:
- (1) a governmental unit in this state as defined by

1 Section 101.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code; or

- 2 (2) a private entity under a contract with a governmental unit in this state.
 - majority of the members of the juvenile board shall personally inspect all public or private [the] juvenile pre-adjudication secure detention facilities [and any public or private juvenile secure correctional facilities used for post-adjudication confinement] that are located in the county [and operated under authority of the juvenile board] at least annually and shall certify in writing to the authorities responsible for operating and giving financial support to the facilities and to the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission that the facilities [they] are suitable or unsuitable for the detention of children in accordance with:
- 16 (1) the requirements of Subsections (a), (f), and (g);
 17 and
- 18 (2) minimum professional standards for the detention 19 of children in pre-adjudication [or post-adjudication secure] 20 confinement promulgated by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission 21 or, at the election of the juvenile board, the current standards 22 promulgated by the American Correctional Association.
 - (i) Except for a facility operated or certified by the Texas Youth Commission or a facility as provided by Subsection (1), a governmental unit or private entity that operates or contracts for the operation of a juvenile pre-adjudication secure detention facility under Subsection (b-1) [or a juvenile post-adjudication

- 1 secure correctional facility] in this state shall:
- 2 (1) register the facility annually with the Texas
- 3 Juvenile Probation Commission; and
- 4 (2) adhere to all applicable minimum standards for the
- 5 facility.
- 6 (m) The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission may deny,
- 7 suspend, or revoke the registration of any facility required to
- 8 register under Subsection (i) if the facility fails to:
- 9 (1) adhere to all applicable minimum standards for the
- 10 <u>facility;</u> or
- 11 (2) timely correct any notice of noncompliance with
- 12 minimum standards.
- SECTION 9. Chapter 51, Family Code, is amended by adding
- 14 Section 51.125 to read as follows:
- Sec. 51.125. POST-ADJUDICATION CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.
- 16 (a) A post-adjudication secure correctional facility for juvenile
- offenders may be operated only by:
- (1) a governmental unit in this state as defined by
- 19 Section 101.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code; or
- (2) a private entity under a contract with a
- 21 governmental unit in this state.
- (b) In each county, each judge of the juvenile court and a
- 23 majority of the members of the juvenile board shall personally
- 24 inspect all public or private juvenile post-adjudication secure
- 25 correctional facilities that are located in the county at least
- 26 annually and shall certify in writing to the authorities
- 27 responsible for operating and giving financial support to the

- 1 <u>facilities and to the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission that the</u>
- 2 <u>facility or facilities are suitable or unsuitable for the detention</u>
- 3 of children in accordance with minimum professional standards for
- 4 the detention of children in post-adjudication secure confinement
- 5 promulgated by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission or, at the
- 6 election of the juvenile board, the current standards promulgated
- 7 by the American Correctional Association.
- 8 (c) A governmental unit or private entity that operates or
- 9 contracts for the operation of a juvenile post-adjudication secure
- 10 <u>correctional facility in this state under Subsection (a) shall:</u>
- 11 (1) register the facility annually with the Texas
- 12 <u>Juvenile Probation Commission; and</u>
- (2) adhere to all applicable minimum standards for the
- 14 facility.
- 15 (d) The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission may deny,
- 16 suspend, or revoke the registration of any facility required to
- 17 register under Section 51.12(i) if the facility fails to:
- 18 (1) adhere to all applicable minimum standards for the
- 19 facility; or
- 20 (2) timely correct any notice of noncompliance with
- 21 <u>minimum standards</u>.
- SECTION 10. Section 51.17, Family Code, is amended by
- amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsections (h) and (i) to read
- 24 as follows:
- (c) Except as otherwise provided by this title, the Texas
- 26 Rules of Evidence <u>apply</u> [applicable] to criminal cases and <u>Articles</u>
- 27 33.03 and 37.07 and Chapter 38, Code of Criminal Procedure, apply in

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1 a judicial proceeding under this title.
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- (h) Articles 57.01 and 57.02, Code of Criminal Procedure,
 relating to the use of a pseudonym by a victim in a criminal case,
 apply in a proceeding held under this title.
- (i) Except as provided by Section 56.03(f), the state is not required to pay any cost or fee otherwise imposed for court proceedings in either the trial or appellate courts.
- 8 SECTION 11. Sections 53.045(a) and (d), Family Code, are 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (e), the prosecuting
 11 attorney may refer the petition to the grand jury of the county in
 12 which the court in which the petition is filed presides if the
 13 petition alleges that the child engaged in delinquent conduct that
 14 constitutes habitual felony conduct as described by Section 51.031
 15 or that included the violation of any of the following provisions:
- 16 (1) Section 19.02, Penal Code (murder);
- 17 (2) Section 19.03, Penal Code (capital murder);
- 18 (3) Section 19.04, Penal Code (manslaughter);
- 19 (4) Section 20.04, Penal Code (aggravated 20 kidnapping);
- 21 (5) Section 22.011, Penal Code (sexual assault) or 22 Section 22.021, Penal Code (aggravated sexual assault);
- 23 (6) Section 22.02, Penal Code (aggravated assault);
- 24 (7) Section 29.03, Penal Code (aggravated robbery);
- 25 (8) Section 22.04, Penal Code (injury to a child,
- 26 elderly individual, or disabled individual), if the offense is
- 27 punishable as a felony, other than a state jail felony;

- 1 (9) Section 22.05(b), Penal Code (felony deadly
- 2 conduct involving discharging a firearm);
- 3 (10) Subchapter D, Chapter 481, Health and Safety
- 4 Code, if the conduct constitutes a felony of the first degree or an
- 5 aggravated controlled substance felony (certain offenses involving
- 6 controlled substances);
- 7 (11) Section 15.03, Penal Code (criminal
- 8 solicitation);
- 9 (12) Section 21.11(a)(1), Penal Code (indecency with a
- 10 child);
- 11 (13) Section 15.031, Penal Code (criminal
- 12 solicitation of a minor);
- 13 (14) Section 15.01, Penal Code (criminal attempt), if
- 14 the offense attempted was an offense under Section 19.02, Penal
- Code (murder), or Section 19.03, Penal Code (capital murder), or an
- offense listed by Section 3g(a)(1), Article 42.12, Code of Criminal
- 17 Procedure;
- 18 (15) Section 28.02, Penal Code (arson), if bodily
- 19 injury or death is suffered by any person by reason of the
- 20 commission of the conduct; [ex]
- 21 (16) Section 49.08, Penal Code (intoxication
- 22 manslaughter); or
- 23 (17) Section 15.02, Penal Code (criminal conspiracy),
- 24 if the offense made the subject of the criminal conspiracy includes
- 25 <u>a violation of any of the provisions referenced in Subdivisions (1)</u>
- 26 <u>through</u> (16).
- 27 (d) If the grand jury approves of the petition, the fact of

- 1 approval shall be certified to the juvenile court, and the
- 2 certification shall be entered in the record of the case. For the
- 3 purpose of the transfer of a child to the Texas Department of
- 4 Criminal Justice [Corrections] as provided by Section 61.084(c),
- 5 Human Resources Code, a juvenile court petition approved by a grand
- 6 jury under this section is an indictment presented by the grand
- 7 jury.
- 8 SECTION 12. Section 54.04, Family Code, is amended by
- 9 amending Subsections (a), (b), (d), and (j) and adding Subsection
- 10 (v) to read as follows:
- 11 (a) The disposition hearing shall be separate, distinct,
- 12 and subsequent to the adjudication hearing. There is no right to a
- jury at the disposition hearing unless the child is in jeopardy of a
- determinate sentence under Subsection (d)(3) or (m), in which case,
- 15 the child is entitled to a jury of 12 persons to determine the
- 16 sentence, but only if the child so elects in writing before the
- 17 commencement of the voir dire examination of the jury panel. If a
- 18 finding of delinquent conduct is returned, the child may, with the
- consent of the attorney for the state, change the child's election
- of one who assesses the disposition.
- (b) At the disposition hearing, the juvenile court,
- 22 <u>notwithstanding the Texas Rules of Evidence or Chapter 37, Code of</u>
- 23 <u>Criminal Procedure</u>, may consider written reports from probation
- 24 officers, professional court employees, or professional
- consultants in addition to the testimony of witnesses. Prior to the
- disposition hearing, the court shall provide the attorney for the
- 27 child with access to all written matter to be considered in

- disposition. The court may order counsel not to reveal items to the
- 2 child or the child's parent, guardian, or guardian ad litem if such
- 3 disclosure would materially harm the treatment and rehabilitation
- 4 of the child or would substantially decrease the likelihood of
- 5 receiving information from the same or similar sources in the
- 6 future.
- 7 (d) If the court or jury makes the finding specified in
- 8 Subsection (c) allowing the court to make a disposition in the case:
- 9 (1) the court or jury may, in addition to any order
- 10 required or authorized under Section 54.041 or 54.042, place the
- 11 child on probation on such reasonable and lawful terms as the court
- 12 may determine:
- 13 (A) in the child's own home or in the custody of a
- 14 relative or other fit person; or
- 15 (B) subject to the finding under Subsection (c)
- on the placement of the child outside the child's home, in:
- (i) a suitable foster home; [or]
- 18 (ii) a suitable public or private
- 19 residential treatment facility licensed by a state governmental
- 20 entity or exempted from licensure by state law [institution or
- 21 agency], except a facility operated by the Texas Youth Commission;
- 22 or
- (iii) a suitable public or private
- 24 post-adjudication secure correctional facility that meets the
- 25 requirements of Section 51.125, except a facility operated by the
- 26 <u>Texas Youth Commission</u>;
- 27 (2) if the court or jury found at the conclusion of the

- 1 adjudication hearing that the child engaged in delinquent conduct that violates a penal law of this state or the United States of the 2 3 grade of felony or, if the requirements of Subsection (s) or (t) are met, of the grade of misdemeanor, and if the petition was not 4 5 approved by the grand jury under Section 53.045, the court may 6 the child to the Texas Youth Commission without a commit 7 determinate sentence and such commitment shall be for the period of 8 time until the child becomes the age of 21, unless the person is discharged earlier by the Texas Youth Commission; 9
- 10 if the court or jury found at the conclusion of the 11 adjudication hearing that the child engaged in delinquent conduct 12 that included a violation of a penal law listed in Section 53.045(a) 13 and if the petition was approved by the grand jury under Section 14 53.045, the court or jury may sentence the child to commitment in 15 the Texas Youth Commission with a possible transfer to the institutional division or the pardons and paroles division of the 16 17 Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a term of:
- 18 (A) not more than 40 years if the conduct 19 constitutes:
- (i) a capital felony;
- 21 (ii) a felony of the first degree; or
- 22 (iii) an aggravated controlled substance
- 23 felony;
- (B) not more than 20 years if the conduct
- 25 constitutes a felony of the second degree; or
- (C) not more than 10 years if the conduct
- 27 constitutes a felony of the third degree;

- 1 (4) the court may assign the child an appropriate
- 2 sanction level and sanctions as provided by the assignment
- 3 guidelines in Section 59.003; or
- 4 (5) if applicable, the court or jury may make a
- 5 disposition under Subsection (m).
- 6 (j) If the court or jury found that the child engaged in
- 7 delinquent conduct that included a violation of a penal law of the
- 8 grade of felony or jailable misdemeanor, the court:
- 9 (1) shall require that the child's thumbprint be
- 10 affixed or attached to the order; and
- 11 (2) may require that a photograph of the child be
- 12 attached to the order.
- (v) A child may be detained in an appropriate detention
- 14 <u>facility following disposition of the child's case under Subsection</u>
- 15 (d) or (m) pending:
- (1) transportation of the child to the ordered
- 17 placement; and
- 18 (2) the provision of medical or other health care
- 19 services for the child that may be advisable before transportation,
- 20 including health care services for children in the late term of
- 21 pregnancy.
- SECTION 13. Chapter 54, Family Code, is amended by adding
- 23 Section 54.0481 to read as follows:
- Sec. 54.0481. TREATMENT OF RESTITUTION PAYMENTS. (a) A
- 25 juvenile probation department that receives a payment to a victim
- 26 as the result of a juvenile court order for restitution shall
- 27 <u>immediately:</u>

1	(1)	deposit	the	payment	in	an	interest-bearing	account

- 2 in the county treasury; and
- 3 (2) notify the victim by certified mail, sent to the
- 4 last known address of the victim, that a payment has been received.
- 5 (b) The juvenile probation department shall promptly remit
- 6 the payment to a victim who has been notified under Subsection (a)
- 7 and makes a claim for payment.
- 8 (c) On or before the fifth anniversary of the date the
- 9 juvenile probation department receives a payment for a victim that
- 10 <u>is not claimed</u> by the victim, the department shall make and document
- 11 a good faith effort to locate and notify the victim that an
- 12 unclaimed payment exists, including:
- (1) confirming, if possible, the victim's most recent
- 14 address with the Department of Public Safety; and
- 15 (2) making at least one additional certified mailing
- 16 to the victim.
- (d) A juvenile probation department satisfies the good
- 18 <u>faith requirement under Subsection (c) by sending by certified mail</u>
- 19 to the victim, during the period the child is required by the
- 20 juvenile court order to make payments to the victim, a notice that
- 21 the victim is entitled to an unclaimed payment.
- (e) If a victim claims a payment on or before the fifth
- 23 anniversary of the date on which the juvenile probation department
- 24 mailed a notice to the victim under Subsection (a), the juvenile
- 25 probation department shall pay the victim the amount of the
- 26 original payment, less any interest earned while holding the
- 27 payment.

- 1 (f) If a victim does not claim a payment on or before the 2 fifth anniversary of the date on which the juvenile probation
- 3 department mailed a notice to the victim under Subsection (a), the
- 4 <u>department:</u>
- 5 (1) has no liability to the victim or anyone else in
- 6 relation to the payment; and
- 7 (2) shall transfer the payment from the
- 8 interest-bearing account to a special fund of the county treasury,
- 9 the unclaimed juvenile restitution fund.
- 10 (g) The county may spend money in the unclaimed juvenile
- 11 restitution fund only for the same purposes for which the county may
- 12 spend juvenile state aid.
- SECTION 14. Section 55.43(a), Family Code, is amended to
- 14 read as follows:
- 15 (a) The prosecuting attorney may file with the juvenile
- 16 court a motion for a restoration hearing concerning a child if:
- 17 (1) the child is found unfit to proceed as a result of
- 18 mental illness or mental retardation; and
- 19 (2) the child:
- 20 (A) is not:
- (i) ordered by a court to receive inpatient
- 22 mental health services:
- (ii) committed by a court to a residential
- 24 care facility; or
- 25 (iii) ordered by a court to receive
- 26 treatment on an outpatient basis; or
- (B) is discharged or <u>currently</u> on <u>furlough</u>

- 1 [furloughed] from a mental health facility or outpatient center
- 2 before the child reaches 18 years of age.
- 3 SECTION 15. Section 55.44(a), Family Code, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 (a) The juvenile court shall transfer all pending
- 6 proceedings from the juvenile court to a criminal court on the 18th
- 7 birthday of a child for whom the juvenile court or a court to which
- 8 the child's case is referred has ordered inpatient mental health
- 9 services or residential care for persons with mental retardation
- 10 if:
- 11 (1) the child is not discharged or <u>currently on</u>
- 12 <u>furlough</u> [furloughed] from the facility before reaching 18 years of
- 13 age; and
- 14 (2) the child is alleged to have engaged in delinquent
- 15 conduct that included a violation of a penal law listed in Section
- 16 53.045 and no adjudication concerning the alleged conduct has been
- 17 made.
- 18 SECTION 16. Section 55.45, Family Code, is amended by
- 19 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- (c) If the referred child, as described in Subsection (b),
- 21 is alleged to have committed an offense listed in Section 3g,
- 22 Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, the administrator of the
- 23 residential care facility shall apply, in writing, by certified
- 24 mail, return receipt requested, to the juvenile court that ordered
- 25 commitment of the child or that referred the case to a court that
- ordered commitment of the child and show good cause for any release
- 27 of the child from the facility for more than 48 hours. Notice of

- 1 this request must be provided to the prosecuting attorney
- 2 responsible for the case. The prosecuting attorney, the juvenile,
- 3 or the administrator may apply for a hearing on this application.
- 4 If no one applies for a hearing, the trial court shall resolve the
- 5 application on the written submission. The rules of evidence do not
- 6 apply to this hearing. An appeal of the trial court's ruling on the
- 7 application is not allowed. The release of a child described in
- 8 this subsection without the express approval of the trial court is
- 9 punishable by contempt.
- SECTION 17. Section 58.0051, Family Code, is amended by
- adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 12 <u>(e) The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission may, in</u>
- conformity with Section 58.0072 of this code and Section 37.084,
- 14 Education Code, enter into an interagency agreement to share
- 15 educational information for research, audit, and analytical
- 16 purposes with the:

- 17 <u>(1)</u> Texas Education Agency;
 - (2) Texas Youth Commission; and
- 19 (3) Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- SECTION 18. Sections 58.0072(c) and (d), Family Code, are
- 21 amended to read as follows:
- (c) The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission may grant the
- 23 following entities access to juvenile justice information for
- 24 research and statistical purposes or for any other purpose approved
- 25 by the commission:
- 26 (1) criminal justice agencies as defined by Section
- 411.082, Government Code;

- 1 (2) the Texas Education Agency, as authorized under
- 2 Section 37.084, Education Code;
- 3 (3) any agency under the authority of the Health and
- 4 Human Services Commission; or
- 5 (4) a public or private university.
- 6 (d) The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission may grant the
- 7 following entities access to juvenile justice information only for
- 8 a purpose beneficial to and approved by the commission to:
- 9 (1) a person working on a research or statistical
- 10 project that:
- 11 (A) is funded in whole or in part by state $\underline{\text{or}}$
- 12 <u>federal</u> funds; and [or]
- 13 (B) meets the requirements of [28 C.F.R. Part 22]
- and is approved by the commission; or
- 15 (2) a governmental entity that has a specific
- 16 agreement with the commission, if the agreement:
- 17 (A) specifically authorizes access to
- 18 information;
- 19 (B) limits the use of information to the purposes
- 20 for which the information is given;
- (C) ensures the security and confidentiality of
- 22 the information; and
- (D) provides for sanctions if a requirement
- imposed under Paragraph (A), (B), or (C) is violated.
- 25 SECTION 19. Section 58.110(e), Family Code, is amended to
- 26 read as follows:
- (e) Except as otherwise required by applicable state laws or

- 1 regulations, information required by this chapter to be reported to
- 2 the department shall be reported promptly. The information shall
- 3 be reported not later than the 30th day after the date the
- 4 information is received by the agency responsible for reporting the
- 5 information, except that a juvenile offender's custody or $[\tau]$
- 6 detention[, or referral] without previous custody shall be reported
- 7 to the department not later than the seventh day after the date of
- 8 the custody or $[\tau]$ detention $[\tau]$ or referral.
- 9 SECTION 20. (a) Section 58.005(b), Family Code, is amended
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 (b) This section does not apply to information collected
- under Section 58.104 or under Subchapter D-1.
- (b) Chapter 58, Family Code, is amended by adding Subchapter
- 14 D-1 to read as follows:
- 15 SUBCHAPTER D-1. REPORTS ON COUNTY INTERNET WEBSITES
- Sec. 58.351. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies only
- to a county with a population of 600,000 or more.
- 18 Sec. 58.352. INFORMATION POSTED ON COUNTY WEBSITE. (a) A
- 19 juvenile court judge in a county to which this subchapter applies
- 20 shall post a report on the Internet website of the county in which
- 21 <u>the court is located</u>. The report must include:
- (1) the total number of children committed by the
- 23 judge to a correctional facility operated by the Texas Youth
- 24 <u>Commission</u>; and
- 25 (2) for each child committed to a facility described
- 26 <u>by Subdivision (1):</u>
- (A) a general description of the offense

- 1 committed by the child or the conduct of the child that led to the
- 2 child's commitment to the facility;
- 3 (B) the year the child was committed to the
- 4 <u>facility</u>; and
- 5 (C) the age range, race, and gender of the child.
- 6 (b) Not later than the 10th day following the first day of
- 7 each quarter, a juvenile court judge shall update the information
- 8 posted on a county Internet website under Subsection (a).
- 9 Sec. 58.353. CONFIDENTIALITY. A record posted on a county
- 10 Internet website under this subchapter may not include any
- information that personally identifies a child.
- 12 (c) The changes in law made by this section apply only to a
- 13 child committed to a correctional facility operated by the Texas
- 14 Youth Commission on or after January 1, 2008.
- SECTION 21. Chapter 58, Family Code, is amended by adding
- 16 Subchapter E to read as follows:
- 17 SUBCHAPTER E. STATEWIDE JUVENILE INFORMATION AND CASE MANAGEMENT
- 18 SYSTEM
- Sec. 58.401. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:
- 20 (1) "Commission" means the Texas Juvenile Probation
- 21 Commission.
- (2) "Criminal justice agency" has the meaning assigned
- 23 by Section 411.082, Government Code.
- 24 (3) "Juvenile justice agency" means an agency that has
- 25 <u>custody or control over juvenile offenders.</u>
- 26 (4) "Partner agencies" means those agencies described
- 27 in Section 58.305 as well as private service providers to the

1 juvenile justice system. 2 (5) "System" means an automated statewide juvenile 3 information and case management system. Sec. 58.402. PURPOSES OF SYSTEM. The purposes of the system 4 5 are to: 6 (1) provide accurate information at the statewide 7 level relating to children who come into contact with the juvenile 8 justice system; 9 (2) facilitate communication and information sharing 10 between authorized entities in criminal and juvenile justice 11 agencies and partner agencies regarding effective and efficient identification of and service delivery to juvenile offenders; and 12 13 (3) provide comprehensive juvenile justice information and case management abilities that will meet the common 14 15 data collection, reporting, and management needs of juvenile 16 probation departments in this state and provide the flexibility to 17 accommodate individualized requirements. Sec. 58.403. JUVENILE INFORMATION SYSTEM. The commission 18 in partnership with local counties may participate and assist in 19 20 the creation and maintenance of a statewide system to: 21 (1) aid in processing the cases of children under this 22 title; 23 (2) facilitate the delivery of services to children in 24 the juvenile justice system; 25 (3) aid in the early identification of at-risk and 26 delinquent children; and

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(4) facilitate cross-jurisdictional sharing

- 1 <u>information</u> related to juvenile offenders between authorized
- 2 <u>criminal and juvenile justice agencies and partner agencies.</u>
- 3 Sec. 58.404. INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMISSION. The
- 4 commission may collect and maintain all information related to
- 5 juvenile offenders and all offenses committed by a juvenile
- 6 offender, including all information collected and maintained under
- 7 Subchapters B and D.
- 8 Sec. 58.405. AUTHORIZED ACCESS TO SYSTEM. Juvenile justice
- 9 agencies shall have access to all data in the system and may share
- 10 <u>information with appropriate partner agencies</u> and other entities
- authorized by law to receive the information.
- 12 SECTION 22. Section 59.003(a), Family Code, is amended to
- 13 read as follows:
- 14 (a) Subject to Subsection (e), after a child's first
- 15 commission of delinquent conduct or conduct indicating a need for
- supervision, the probation department or prosecuting attorney may,
- or the juvenile court may, in a disposition hearing under Section
- 18 54.04 or a modification hearing under Section 54.05, assign a child
- 19 one of the following sanction levels according to the child's
- 20 conduct:
- 21 (1) for conduct indicating a need for supervision,
- 22 other than conduct described in Section 51.03(b)(4) or (5)
- [51.03(b)(5)] or a Class A or B misdemeanor, the sanction level is
- 24 one;
- 25 (2) for conduct indicating a need for supervision
- 26 under Section 51.03(b)(4) or (5) [51.03(b)(5)] or a Class A or B
- 27 misdemeanor, other than a misdemeanor involving the use or

- 1 possession of a firearm, or for delinquent conduct under Section
- 2 51.03(a)(2), the sanction level is two;
- 3 (3) for a misdemeanor involving the use or possession
- 4 of a firearm or for a state jail felony or a felony of the third
- 5 degree, the sanction level is three;
- 6 (4) for a felony of the second degree, the sanction
- 7 level is four;
- 8 (5) for a felony of the first degree, other than a
- 9 felony involving the use of a deadly weapon or causing serious
- 10 bodily injury, the sanction level is five;
- 11 (6) for a felony of the first degree involving the use
- 12 of a deadly weapon or causing serious bodily injury, for an
- 13 aggravated controlled substance felony, or for a capital felony,
- 14 the sanction level is six; or
- 15 (7) for a felony of the first degree involving the use
- 16 of a deadly weapon or causing serious bodily injury, for an
- aggravated controlled substance felony, or for a capital felony, if
- the petition has been approved by a grand jury under Section 53.045,
- or if a petition to transfer the child to criminal court has been
- 20 filed under Section 54.02, the sanction level is seven.
- 21 SECTION 23. Sections 261.401(a) and (b), Family Code, are
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- 23 (a) Notwithstanding Section 261.001, in this section:
- (1) "Abuse" means an intentional, knowing, or reckless
- 25 act or omission by an employee, volunteer, or other individual
- 26 working under the auspices of a facility or program that causes or
- 27 may cause emotional harm or physical injury to, or the death of, a

- 1 child served by the facility or program as further described by rule
- 2 or policy.
- 3 (2) "Exploitation" means the illegal or improper use
- 4 of a child or of the resources of a child for monetary or personal
- 5 benefit, profit, or gain by an employee, volunteer, or other
- 6 individual working under the auspices of a facility or program as
- 7 further described by rule or policy.
- 8 (3) "Neglect" means a negligent act or omission by an
- 9 employee, volunteer, or other individual working under the auspices
- 10 of a facility or program, including failure to comply with an
- 11 individual treatment plan, plan of care, or individualized service
- 12 plan, that causes or may cause substantial emotional harm or
- 13 physical injury to, or the death of, a child served by the facility
- or program as further described by rule or policy.
- (b) A state agency that operates, licenses, certifies, or
- 16 registers a facility in which children are located or provides
- oversight of a program that serves children shall make a prompt,
- 18 thorough investigation of a report that a child has been or may be
- 19 abused, neglected, or exploited in the facility or program. The
- 20 primary purpose of the investigation shall be the protection of the
- 21 child.
- SECTION 24. Section 261.405(a), Family Code, is amended to
- 23 read as follows:
- 24 (a) In this section:
- 25 (1) "Juvenile justice facility" means a facility
- 26 operated wholly or partly by the juvenile board, by another
- 27 governmental unit, or by a private vendor under a contract with the

- juvenile board, [or other governmental unit that serves
- 2 juveniles under juvenile court jurisdiction. The term includes:
- 3 (A) a public or private juvenile
- 4 pre-adjudication secure detention facility, including a holdover
- 5 facility;
- 6 (B) a public or private juvenile
- 7 post-adjudication secure correctional facility except for a
- 8 facility operated solely for children committed to the Texas Youth
- 9 Commission; and
- 10 (C) a public or private non-secure juvenile
- 11 post-adjudication residential treatment facility that is not
- 12 licensed by the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services or
- 13 the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.
- 14 (2) "Juvenile justice program" means a program or
- 15 <u>department</u> operated wholly or partly by the juvenile board or by a
- 16 private vendor under a contract with a juvenile board that serves
- juveniles under juvenile court jurisdiction. The term includes:
- 18 (A) a juvenile justice alternative education
- 19 program; [and]
- 20 (B) a non-residential program that serves
- 21 juvenile offenders under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court:
- 22 <u>and</u>
- (C) a juvenile probation department.
- SECTION 25. Section 25.0951(a), Education Code, is amended
- 25 to read as follows:
- 26 (a) If a student fails to attend school without excuse on 10
- or more days or parts of days within a six-month period in the same

- school year, a school district shall within seven school days of the
- 2 student's 10th [last] absence:
- 3 (1) file a complaint against the student or the
- 4 student's parent or both in a county, justice, or municipal court
- 5 for an offense under Section 25.093 or 25.094, as appropriate, or
- 6 refer the student to a juvenile court in a county with a population
- of less than 100,000 for conduct that violates Section 25.094; or
- 8 (2) refer the student to a juvenile court for conduct
- 9 indicating a need for supervision under Section 51.03(b)(2), Family
- 10 Code.
- 11 SECTION 26. Section 61.0762, Human Resources Code, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 Sec. 61.0762. INFANT CARE AND PARENTING PROGRAM. (a) In
- 14 this section, "child" means the child of a person who is committed
- 15 to the commission.
- 16 (b) The commission may establish $\underline{\text{child}}$ [$\underline{\text{infant}}$] care and
- 17 parenting programs for persons committed to the commission
- 18 [children] who are parents.
- (c) (b) The commission may permit a [child who is the]
- 20 mother [of an infant younger than 36 months] to have possession of
- 21 her $\underline{\text{child}}$ [in a residential program that has an infant care
- 22 and parenting program or to have possession of her child in a
- 23 commission-funded independent living residence for up to six [until
- 24 the infant reaches the age of 36] months [or the mother is released
- 25 <u>under supervision</u>] if:
- 26 (1) the <u>child's</u> [<u>infant's</u>] father or another relative
- or guardian of the child [infant] agrees in advance of the child's

- 1 [infant's] placement with the child's [infant's] mother to assume
- 2 possession of the child [infant] immediately upon notice by the
- 3 commission to do so;
- 4 (2) the child's [infant's] parents and any other
- 5 person having a duty of support acknowledge that by permitting the
- 6 mother to have possession of the child [infant] while the mother is
- 7 confined in a residential facility or placed in an independent
- 8 living residence, the commission assumes no responsibility for the
- 9 <u>child's</u> [infant's] care beyond the responsibility of care that is
- ordinarily due the child's [infant's] mother and the reasonable
- 11 accommodations that are necessary for the mother's care of $\underline{\text{her}}$
- 12 child [the infant];
- 13 (3) the <u>child's</u> [<u>infant's</u>] parents and any other
- 14 person having a duty of support agree to indemnify and hold the
- 15 commission harmless from any claims that may be made against the
- 16 commission for the $\underline{\text{child's}}$ [$\underline{\text{infant's}}$] support, including medical
- 17 support; and
- 18 (4) the commission determines that the placement is in
- 19 the best interest of both the mother and her child [infant].
- 20 SECTION 27. Subchapter C, Chapter 141, Human Resources
- Code, is amended by adding Sections 141.0461 and 141.055 to read as
- 22 follows:
- Sec. 141.0461. AUTHORITY TO ISSUE SUBPOENA, ADMINISTER
- 24 OATH, RECEIVE EVIDENCE, AND GATHER INFORMATION. (a) In this
- 25 section, "evidence" means any record, book, paper, document, data,
- or other evidence maintained by electronic or other means.
- 27 (b) The commission may issue a subpoena requiring the

- 1 attendance of a witness or the production of evidence that the
- 2 commission considers necessary for the investigation of:
- 4 (2) complaints;
- 5 (3) financial and programmatic audits of juvenile
- 6 probation programs services and facilities, including juvenile
- 7 justice alternative education programs; or
- 8 (4) any matter under the authority of the commission.
- 9 (c) The commission may issue a subpoena under Subsection (b)
 10 only if the subpoena is signed by:
- 11 (1) the chairman of the commission or, if the chairman
- is unavailable, the vice-chairman of the commission; and
- (2) at least two other members of the commission,
- including a member who is a judge.
- 15 (d) Any peace officer, commission investigator, other
- 16 commission official, or person authorized under Article 24.01, Code
- of Criminal Procedure, may serve the subpoena in the same manner
- 18 that similar process in a court of record having original
- 19 jurisdiction of criminal actions is served.
- (e) A subpoena under this section shall be served and
- 21 witness fees and mileage paid as in civil cases in the district
- 22 court in the county to which the witness is called, unless the
- 23 proceeding for which the service or payment is made is under Chapter
- 24 2001, Government Code, in which case the service or payment shall be
- 25 made as provided in that chapter. Witnesses subpoenaed at the
- 26 instance of the commission shall be paid their fees and mileage by
- 27 the commission out of funds appropriated for that purpose.

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(f) On application of the commission, a court of record having original jurisdiction of criminal actions may compel the attendance of a witness, the production of material, or the giving of testimony before the commission, by an attachment for contempt or in the same manner as the court may otherwise compel the production of evidence.

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- (g) The chairman or another member of the commission may administer an oath to a witness in attendance before the commission or before an authorized representative of the commission.
- (h) If a witness in attendance before the commission or before an authorized representative refuses without reasonable cause to be examined or answer a legal or pertinent question, or to produce evidence when ordered by the commission, the commission may apply to the district court for a rule or order returnable in not less than two or in more than five days, directing the witness to show cause before the judge why the witness should not be punished for contempt. The commission may apply to the district court of any county where the witness is in attendance, on proof by affidavit of the fact, unless the order of contempt is sought under Chapter 2001, Government Code, in which case the commission shall apply to a district court of Travis County, as provided by that chapter. On return of the order, the judge hearing the matter shall examine the witness under oath and the witness shall be given an opportunity to be heard. If the judge determines that the witness has refused, without reasonable cause or legal excuse, to be examined or answer a legal or pertinent question, or to produce evidence that the witness was ordered to bring or produce, the judge may immediately

- 1 find the witness in contempt of court.
- 2 (i) The commission shall be granted access at any reasonable
- 3 time to any evidence that is related to any matter the commission or
- 4 <u>executive director considers necessary to administer the</u>
- 5 commission's functions, powers, and duties.
- 6 Sec. 141.055. INVESTIGATORS. (a) The commission may
- 7 employ and commission investigators as peace officers for the
- 8 purpose of investigating allegations of abuse, neglect, and
- 9 <u>exploitation</u> in juvenile justice programs and facilities under
- 10 <u>Section 261.405</u>, Family Code.
- 11 (b) Peace officers employed and commissioned under
- 12 Subsection (a) must be certified by the Commission on Law
- 13 Enforcement Officer Standards and Education under Chapter 1701,
- 14 Occupations Code.
- SECTION 28. Section 152.0721, Human Resources Code, is
- amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:
- 17 <u>(f) The Duval County Juvenile Board and the juvenile boards</u>
- of one or more counties that are adjacent to or in close proximity
- 19 to Duval County may agree to operate together with respect to all
- 20 matters, or with respect to certain matters specified by the
- 21 juvenile boards. Juvenile boards operating together may appoint
- one fiscal officer to receive and disburse funds for the boards.
- SECTION 29. Subchapter D, Chapter 152, Human Resources
- 24 Code, is amended by adding Section 152.1301 to read as follows:
- Sec. 152.1301. JIM HOGG COUNTY. (a) The Jim Hogg County
- 26 Juvenile Board is composed of the county judge, the district judge
- 27 in Jim Hogg County, and a citizen of Jim Hogg County appointed by

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- 1 the county judge and the district judge. The citizen member of the
- 2 board serves the same term of office as the district judge in Jim
- 3 Hogg County.
- 4 (b) The district judge is the chairman of the board and its
- 5 <u>chief administrative officer.</u>
- 6 (c) The commissioners court may pay the juvenile board
- 7 members an annual salary set by the commissioners court at not less
- 8 than \$1,200 or more than \$3,600 for the added duties imposed on the
- 9 members. The salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments
- from the general fund of the county.
- 11 (d) The juvenile board shall appoint not more than five
- 12 persons to serve on an advisory council.
- (e) The Jim Hogg County Juvenile Board and the juvenile
- 14 boards of one or more counties that are adjacent to or in close
- 15 proximity to Jim Hogg County may agree to operate together with
- 16 respect to all matters, or with respect to certain matters
- 17 specified by the juvenile boards. Juvenile boards operating
- 18 together may appoint one fiscal officer to receive and disburse
- 19 <u>funds for the boards</u>.
- 20 <u>(f) Sections 152.0002, 152.0004, 152.0005, 152.0006,</u>
- 21 152.0007, and 152.0008 do not apply to the juvenile board.
- SECTION 30. Section 152.2201, Human Resources Code, is
- 23 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (f) to
- 24 read as follows:
- 25 (a) The Starr County Juvenile Board is composed of the
- county judge, the judge of the county court at law in Starr County,
- 27 and the district judges in Starr County.

- (f) The Starr County Juvenile Board and the juvenile boards
 of one or more counties that are adjacent to or in close proximity
 to Starr County may agree to operate together with respect to all
 matters, or with respect to certain matters specified by the
 juvenile boards. Juvenile boards operating together may appoint
 one fiscal officer to receive and disburse funds for the boards.

 SECTION 31. The Jim Hogg County Juvenile Board is created
- 8 October 1, 2007.
- 9 SECTION 32. Section 38.06(a), Penal Code, is amended to 10 read as follows:
- 11 (a) A person commits an offense if he escapes from custody
 12 when he is:
- 13 (1) under arrest for, charged with, or convicted of an offense; [or]
- 15 (2) in custody pursuant to a lawful order of a court;
- 16 (3) detained in a secure detention facility, as that
 17 term is defined by Section 51.02, Family Code; or
- (4) in the custody of a juvenile probation officer for
 violating an order imposed by the juvenile court under Section
 52.01, Family Code.
- SECTION 33. Section 38.07, Penal Code, is amended by adding
 Subsection (f) to read as follows:
- 23 (f) In this section, "correctional facility" means:
- (1) any place described by Section 1.07(a)(14); or
- (2) a "secure correctional facility" or "secure
- detention facility" as those terms are defined by Section 51.02,
- 27 <u>Family Code</u>.

- SECTION 34. Section 38.09, Penal Code, is amended by adding
 Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 3 (c) In this section, "correctional facility" means:
- 4 (1) any place described by Section 1.07(a)(14); or
- 5 (2) a "secure correctional facility" or "secure
- 6 detention facility" as those terms are defined by Section 51.02,
- 7 Family Code.
- 8 SECTION 35. Section 38.111, Penal Code, is amended by
- 9 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 10 (e) In this section, "correctional facility" means:
- 11 (1) any place described by Section 1.07(a)(14); or
- 12 (2) a "secure correctional facility" or "secure
- detention facility" as those terms are defined by Section 51.02,
- 14 Family Code.
- SECTION 36. Section 38.114, Penal Code, is amended by
- 16 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 17 (d) In this section, "correctional facility" means:
- (1) any place described by Section 1.07(a)(14); or
- 19 (2) a "secure correctional facility" or "secure
- detention facility" as those terms are defined by Section 51.02,
- 21 Family Code.
- SECTION 37. Section 39.04(f), Penal Code, is amended to
- 23 read as follows:
- 24 (f) An employee of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice,
- 25 the Texas Youth Commission, or a local juvenile probation
- 26 <u>department</u> commits an offense if the employee engages in sexual
- 27 contact, sexual intercourse, or deviate sexual intercourse with an

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- 1 individual who is not the employee's spouse and who the employee
- 2 knows is under the supervision of the department, commission, or
- 3 probation department but not in the custody of the department,
- 4 commission, or probation department.
- 5 SECTION 38. Sections 61.049, 141.0432, 141.0433, and
- 6 141.0434, Human Resources Code, are repealed.
- 7 SECTION 39. (a) This Act applies only to conduct that
- 8 occurs on or after the effective date of this Act. Conduct
- 9 violating the penal law of this state occurs on or after the
- 10 effective date of this Act if any element of the violation occurs on
- 11 or after that date.
- 12 (b) Conduct that occurs before the effective date of this
- 13 Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the conduct
- occurred, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- (c) This Act applies only to an order by a juvenile court
- rendered on or after the effective date of this Act. An appeal of an
- order rendered before the effective date of this Act is governed by
- 18 the law in effect at the time the order was rendered, and that law is
- 19 continued in effect for that purpose.
- (d) Section 54.0481, Family Code, as added by this Act,
- 21 applies only to a payment of restitution under a juvenile court
- order received by a juvenile probation department on or after the
- 23 effective date of this Act.
- SECTION 40. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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Amend H.B. No. 2884 (senate committee printing) by striking

2 SECTIONS 8 and 9 of the bill (page 5, line 51, through page 6,

3 line 62) and renumbering the subsequent SECTIONS of the bill

4 accordingly.

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2 12 of the bill, in amended Section 54.04(d), Family Code (page

3 8, lines 38 through 47), by striking amended Subdivision (2) and

4 substituting the following:

5 (2) if the court or jury found at the conclusion of

6 the adjudication hearing that the child engaged in delinquent

conduct that violates a penal law of this state or the United

8 States of the grade of felony or, if the requirements of

9 Subsection (s) or (t) are met, of the grade of misdemeanor, and

10 if the petition was not approved by the grand jury under Section

11 53.045, the court may commit the child to the Texas Youth

12 Commission without a determinate sentence;

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1 Amend H.B. 2884 (senate committee printing) as follows:

- 2 (1) In SECTION 9, in added Section 51.125(d), Family Code
- 3 (page 6, line 58), strike "51.12(i)" and substitute "Subsection
- 4 <u>(c)</u>".
- 5 (2) In SECTION 21, strike added Section 58.405, Family Code
- 6 (page 12, lines 40-43), and substitute:
- Sec. 58.405. AUTHORITY CUMULATIVE. The authority granted by
- 8 this subchapter is cumulative of all other authority granted by
- 9 this chapter to a county, the commission, or a juvenile justice
- 10 agency and nothing in this subchapter limits the authority of a
- county, the commission, or a juvenile justice agency under this
- 12 chapter to create an information system or to share information
- 13 related to a juvenile.
- 14 (3) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS and
- 15 renumber subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:
- SECTION __. Section 58.007(c), Family Code, is amended to
- 17 read as follows:
- (c) Except as provided by Subsection (d), law enforcement
- 19 records and files concerning a child and information stored, by
- 20 electronic means or otherwise, concerning the child from which a
- 21 record or file could be generated may not be disclosed to the public
- 22 and shall be:
- (1) if maintained on paper or microfilm, kept separate
- 24 from adult files and records;
- 25 (2) if maintained electronically in the same computer
- 26 system as records or files relating to adults, be accessible under
- 27 controls that are separate and distinct from controls to access
- 28 electronic data concerning adults; and
- 29 (3) maintained on a local basis only and not sent to a

- 1 central state or federal depository, except as provided by
- 2 Subchapters [Subchapter] $B_{,D,and} E$.
- 3 SECTION ___. Article 45.054, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 4 amended by adding Subsection (a-2) to read as follows:
- 5 (a-2) An order under Subsection (a) may not require a
- 6 student to attend a juvenile justice alternative education program.

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1 Amend H.B. No. 2884 (senate committee printing) by adding the 2 following appropriately numbered SECTIONS and renumbering 3 subsequent SECTIONS accordingly: 4 SECTION ____. Section 58.302, Family Code, is amended to read as follows: 5 Sec. 58.302. PURPOSES OF SYSTEM. The purposes of a local 6 7 juvenile justice information system are to: 8 provide accurate information at the county or 9 regional level relating to children who come into contact with the 10 juvenile justice system; 11 (2) assist in the development and delivery of services 12 to children in the juvenile justice system; 13 (3) assist in the development and delivery of services to children: 14 15 (A) who school officials have reasonable cause to 16 believe have committed an offense for which a report is required under Section 37.015, Education Code; or 17 18 (B) who have been expelled, the expulsion of which 19 school officials are required to report under Section 52.041; 20 (4) provide for an efficient transmission of juvenile records from justice and municipal courts to county juvenile 21 22 probation departments and the juvenile court and from county juvenile probation departments and juvenile court to the state 23 24 juvenile justice information system created by Subchapter B;

resources to juvenile courts, prosecutors, court clerks, county

(5) provide efficient computerized case management

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- 1 juvenile probation departments, and partner agencies authorized by
- 2 this subchapter;
- **3** (6) provide a directory of services available to
- 4 children to the partner agencies to facilitate the delivery of
- 5 services to children;
- **6** (7) provide an efficient means for municipal and justice
- 7 courts to report filing of charges, adjudications, and dispositions
- 8 of juveniles to the juvenile court as required by Section 51.08;
- 9 and
- 10 (8) provide a method for agencies to fulfill their
- 11 duties under Section 58.108, including the electronic transmission
- 12 of information required to be sent to the Department of Public
- **13** Safety by Section 58.110(f).
- 14 SECTION . Section 58.303(b), Family Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (b) A local juvenile justice information system may contain
- 17 the following components:
- 18 (1) case management resources for juvenile courts, <u>court</u>
- 19 clerks, prosecuting attorneys, and county juvenile probation
- 20 departments;
- 21 (2) reporting systems to fulfill statutory requirements
- 22 for reporting in the juvenile justice system;
- 23 (3) service provider directories and indexes of agencies
- 24 providing services to children;
- 25 (4) victim-witness notices required under Chapter 57;
- 26 (5) electronic filing of complaints or petitions, court
- 27 orders, and other documents filed with the court, including
- 28 documents containing electronic signatures;
- 29 (6) electronic offense and intake processing;

- 1 (7) case docket management and calendaring;
- 2 (8) communications by email or other electronic
- 3 communications between partner agencies;
- 4 (9) reporting of charges filed, adjudications and
- 5 dispositions of juveniles by municipal and justice courts and the
- 6 juvenile court, and transfers of cases to the juvenile court as
- 7 authorized or required by Section 51.08;
- 8 (10) reporting to schools under Article 15.27, Code of
- 9 Criminal Procedure, by law enforcement agencies, prosecuting
- 10 attorneys, and juvenile courts;
- 11 (11) records of adjudications and dispositions,
- 12 including probation conditions ordered by the juvenile court; and
- 13 (12) warrant management and confirmation capabilities.
- SECTION ____. Section 58.304(b), Family Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (b) To the extent possible and subject to Subsections (a) and
- 17 (d), the local juvenile justice information system may include the
- 18 following information for each juvenile taken into custody,
- 19 detained, or referred under this title:
- 20 (1) the juvenile's name, including other names by which
- 21 the juvenile is known;
- 22 (2) the juvenile's date and place of birth;
- 23 (3) the juvenile's physical description, including sex,
- 24 weight, height, race, ethnicity, eye color, hair color, scars,
- 25 marks, and tattoos;
- 26 (4) the juvenile's state identification number and other
- 27 identifying information;
- 28 (5) the juvenile's fingerprints and photograph;
- 29 (6) the juvenile's last known residential address,

- 1 including the census tract number designation for the address;
- 2 (7) the name, address, and phone number of the
- 3 juvenile's parent, guardian, or custodian;
- 4 (8) the name and identifying number of the agency that
- 5 took into custody or detained the juvenile;
- **6** (9) each date of custody or detention;
- 7 (10) a detailed description of the conduct for which the
- 8 juvenile was taken into custody, detained, or referred, including
- 9 the level and degree of the alleged offense;
- 10 (11) the name and identifying number of the juvenile
- 11 intake agency or juvenile probation office;
- 12 (12) each disposition by the juvenile intake agency or
- 13 juvenile probation office;
- 14 (13) the date of disposition by the juvenile intake
- 15 agency or juvenile probation office;
- 16 (14) the name and identifying number of the prosecutor's
- 17 office;
- 18 (15) each disposition by the prosecutor;
- 19 (16) the date of disposition by the prosecutor;
- 20 (17) the name and identifying number of the court;
- 21 (18) each disposition by the court, including
- 22 information concerning custody of a juvenile by a juvenile justice
- 23 agency or county juvenile probation department;
- 24 (19) the date of disposition by the court;
- 25 (20) any commitment or release under supervision by the
- 26 Texas Youth Commission, including the date of the commitment or
- 27 release; [and]
- 28 (21) information concerning each appellate proceeding;
- **29** and

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               (22) electronic copies of all documents filed with the
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     court.
          SECTION . Section 58.305(a), Family Code, is amended to
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     read as follows:
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          (a) A local juvenile justice information system shall to the
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     extent possible include the following partner agencies within that
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     county:
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               (1) the juvenile court and court clerk;
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               (2)
                    justice of the peace and municipal courts;
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               (3)
                   the county juvenile probation department;
                   the prosecuting attorneys who prosecute juvenile
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    cases in juvenile court, municipal court, or justice court;
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               (5)
                   law enforcement agencies;
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               (6)
                   each public school district in the county;
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                   governmental service providers approved by the
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    county juvenile board; and
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               (8) governmental placement facilities approved by the
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    county juvenile board.
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         SECTION \_ . Section 58.306(g), Family Code, is amended to
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    read as follows:
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         (g) Level 3 Access is by:
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                   the juvenile court and court clerk;
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                   the prosecuting attorney;
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              (3)
                   the county juvenile probation department;
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              (4)
                   law enforcement agencies;
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                   governmental service providers that are partner
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    agencies.
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- SECTION ____. Sections 58.307(a) and (e), Family Code, are 1 2 amended to read as follows:
- (a) Information that is part of a local juvenile justice 3 information system is not public information and may not be 4
- released to the public, except as authorized by law. 5

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- 6 (e) Information in a local juvenile justice information system, including electronic signature systems, shall be protected 7 from unauthorized access by a system of access security and any 8 access to information in a local juvenile information system 9 performed by browser software shall be at the level of at least 10 11 128-bit encryption. A juvenile board or a regional juvenile board committee shall require all partner agencies to maintain security 12 and restrict access in accordance with the requirements of this 13
- SECTION ____. This Act applies to information and documents 15 relating to juvenile court cases without regard to whether the 16 conduct that is the basis of the case occurred before, on, or after 17 the effective date of this Act. 18

FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 17, 2007

TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2884 by Dutton (Relating to juvenile delinquency; providing penalties.), As Engrossed

The probable impact of the bill cannot be determined due to the unavailability of reliable data or information relating to the circumstances involved in transferring a large number of facilities from TYC to TDCJ.

The bill would amend the Family Code, the Education Code, the Human Resources Code, the Code of Criminal procedure, and the Penal Code to clarify existing statutes and add new language. Topics included in the bill are the transfer of determinate sentence probation to district court for a youth who is age 18, transfer of supervision between juvenile probation departments, sharing of juvenile information, the elevation of inhalant abuse to level two of the juvenile probation progressive sanctions model, infant care and parenting programs for youth in Youth Commission (TYC), a statewide juvenile information and case management system, juvenile restitution payments, and a variety of others. The bill would add investigators commissioned by the Juvenile Probation Commission (JPC) to the list of peace officers in Section 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, and would allow JPC to hire investigators for the purpose of investigating allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation in juvenile justice programs and facilities. The bill would provide JPC the authority to subpoena witnesses of evidence necessary for the investigation of abuse, neglect, or exploitation allegations, complaints, financial and programmatic audits of juvenile programs and facilities, or any other matter under JPC's authority. The bill would repeal certain Sections 61.049, 141.0432, 141.0433, and 141.0434, Human Resources Code placing the Crockett State School for Girls under the control of TYC, and juvenile boot camps operated by juvenile boards and JPC contracts with private offenders for construction, maintenance, operation, management, and financing of youth boot camps.

The bill would amend the Human Resources Code by adding Sections 61.055 and 61.056. The bill would limit the maximum capacity of the TYC to 3,000 youth, including youth housed in TYC-operated facilities, halfway houses, and contract programs, unless the governor provides approval to exceed the maximum capacity. TYC would be required to confine no more than 100 youth in each community-based facility, would be required to operate community-based facilities in counties with a population of at least 600,000, and could operate a community-based facility in any other county. A youth would be required to be confined in a TYC facility in the county in which he resides, or if no TYC facility exists in the county in which the youth resides, he must be confined in the facility nearest the county in which the youth resides. TYC would be required to transfer to the Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) any facility designed to house more than 100 youth not later than September 1, 2008. TDCJ would be allowed to use transferred TYC facilities in any manner the agency determines appropriate. All TYC employees who work in facilities housing more than 100 youth would be required to reapply for their jobs on September 1, 2008. Section 61.049, Human Resources Code, placing the Crockett State School for Girls under the jurisdiction of TYC, would be repealed.

The bill would require a juvenile court judge to post on a county website a report containing the number of youth they committed to TYC, a description of the offense or conduct that caused the commitment, the year of commitment, and the age range, race and gender of the youth. The judge would be required to update the information not later than the tenth day after the beginning of each quarter. The report could not include information that identifies the youths.

The bill would establish a juvenile board in Jim Hogg County. The commissioners' court of Jim Hogg County would be given authority to pay the juvenile board members an annual salary of \$1,200 to \$3,600 in equal monthly installments. The bill would give juvenile boards in Duval, Jim Hogg, and Starr counties authority to operate together with counties that are adjacent to or in close proximity with respect to all matters, or certain matters specified by the juvenile boards. Juvenile boards operating together would be required to appoint one

fiscal officer to receive and disburse funds for all the boards. The bill would allow would take effect September 1, 2007.

TYC makes several assumptions in the cost estimate provided. The 3,000 beds would be comprised of 218 in halfway houses, 496 in contracted capacity, 1,518 in secure community-based contract programs, and 768 in state-operated leased space (8 facilities at 96 beds each). The leased facilities would be located in or near counties with a population of 600,000 (Harris, Dallas, Tarrant, Bexar, Travis, El Paso, Hidalgo, and Collin), causing the assessment function to be decentralized and a need for more FTEs and funds for transportation. Additional contract specialists and quality assurance staff would be required. Education would be provided at each facility by the local school districts. Workforce development and central office non-grant funded staff would be retained to manage and monitor the programs. Federal grant and Foundation School Funding would be lost. The parole population is expected to increase, assuming the commitment rate remains the same, and lengths of stay would be shortened. Central administrative staff would be decreased for indirect functions including accounting, budgeting, payroll, human resources, purchasing, etc.

TYC anticipates a reduction of 2,778.6 FTEs in each year beginning in fiscal year 2008. A reduction of \$67,899,709 in General Revenue funds in fiscal year 2008 and \$70,901,962 in fiscal year 2009, with an ongoing reduction of \$70,901,962 in future years, is anticipated by the agency. An additional reduction of \$9,815,763 in Federal Funds, \$380,051 in appropriated receipts, and \$10,194,934 in Interagency Contracts is anticipated in each year of the biennium and in ongoing future years. The total anticipated All Funds reduction for TYC is \$88,290,457 in fiscal year 2008 and \$91,292,710 in fiscal year 2009.

TYC residential capacity would be transferred to TDCJ as a result of this proposal. TDCJ's use of the former TYC beds would depend upon numerous factors that cannot be determined at this time, including: the future number of beds needed by TDCJ, the type of beds needed by TDCJ, location of facilities and local approval of TDCJ operation of facilities, and the need to retrofit for TDCJ inmate occupation. It is possible that TDCJ could use the beds to replace temporary contract capacity or permanent capacity. It is not possible to determine if the final result of passage of the bill would be a cost or a savings, as the fiscal impact of the bill regarding TDCJ cannot be determined at this time.

JPC and the Texas Education Agency anticipate no significant fiscal impact to the state from the passage of the bill.

Local Government Impact

Local governments would assume the costs of TYC youth who are not committed to TYC. There may be additional costs to departments associated with the posting of the required report. The fiscal impact of the bill regarding local government cannot be determined at this time.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JOB, ES, GG, AI

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Criminal Justice, 701 Central Education Agency

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FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT STATEMENT

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Assuming that other policies not addressed in this bill remain constant, the probable impact of implementing the provisions of the bill during each of the first five years following passage, in terms of daily demand upon juvenile correctional populations, is estimated as follows:

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No significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies is anticipated from any provisions of this bill that authorize or require a change in the sanctions applicable to adults convicted of felony crimes, or to juveniles who have been adjudicated for misdemeanor or felony conduct.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JOB, GG