

**Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee**

October 16, 2014  
Legislative Office Building  
2pm Room 1E

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**Progress Report Due January 1, 2015**

1. Statutory Changes:

- Improving public safety
- Promote best interests of children and youth
- Improve transparency and accountability on community and facility based programs
- Promote the sharing of information between Judicial Branch and DCF to include public safety and child welfare outcomes



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2. Recidivism:

- A common definition of recidivism to be used by all state agencies of the juvenile justice system

3. Goals:

- Short, medium and long term goals for both JJPOC and state juvenile justice agencies
  - Consider all existing relevant reports and strategic plans related to juvenile justice



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4. Impact of Raise the Age (RtA):

- Changes in the average age of children and youths involved in the juvenile justice system
- Services used by different age groups and the outcomes of those services
- Types of criminal offenses children and youths have been charged with since RtA
- Gaps in Services including those juvenile offenders over 18



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5. Education

- Identify strengths and barriers regarding the education needs of children in juvenile justice system and recommend reforms



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Plan for Compliance

1. Request electronic copy of any report or strategic plan related to juvenile justice in the past 5 years; must be "relevant"
2. Invite all agencies to present to the JJPOC between October and December with a very targeted report:
  - Provide trend and outcome information on how the system is working
  - Identify recommended statutory changes
  - Identify short, medium and long term goals
  - Address the RtA impact



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### Plan for Compliance

3. Ask state agencies and others to designate members of a JJPOC work group
  - Develop the common definition of recidivism
  - Assist in the review of the submitted reports
  - Assist in review of recommended statutory changes
  - Assist in establishing the short, medium and long range goals
  - Assist in the report on Raise the Age
4. Post January 1, 2015 Report
  - Panel of experts in juvenile justice to give some comment and advice
  - Invite comment from other interested parties



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### Progress Report Due July 1, 2015

- The quality and accessibility of diversion programs including Juvenile Review Boards, and programs for the Status Offender population:
- Assessment of the community-based system of services to the juvenile justice population
- Assessment of congregate care settings both public and private
- Examination of collaboration between state agencies and local education



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### Progress Report Due July 1, 2015

- Examination of practices that result in disproportionate minority contact
- Integration of Results-Based Accountability
- Assessment of delinquency that occurs after DCF supervision
- Assessment of overlap between juvenile justice and mental health system



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### Next Steps

- The Tow Youth Justice Institute at UNH will work with the relevant agencies and work group to complete the January 1, 2015 tasks
- We will bring you products for review and action as they are developed
- We will submit a Plan for the July 1, 2015 tasks later this fall



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