

REVISED
MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice's Task Force to Study Juvenile Justice Issues (Assembly Bill 202, Chapter 483, *Statutes of Nevada 2013*)

Date and Time of Meeting: Friday, June 27, 2014
9 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Grant Sawyer State Office Building, Room 4401
555 East Washington Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada

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Carson City, Nevada

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I. Opening Remarks
Assemblyman James Ohrenschall, Chair

II. Public Comment
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For Possible Action

III. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting Held on March 27, 2014, in Las Vegas, Nevada

For Possible Action

IV. Update From the Regional Facility Planning Subcommittee of the Supreme Court of Nevada's Commission on Statewide Juvenile Justice Reform
Frank Cervantes, Director, Washoe County Juvenile Services
James G. (Greg) Cox, Director, Department of Corrections (DOC)

For Possible Action

V. Follow-up on Questions Posed and Information Requested Concerning the Appropriate Housing of Youthful Offenders Who are Convicted of Crimes as Adults
Rebecca Gasca, Campaign for Youth Justice
Vanessa Spinazola, Legislative and Advocacy Director, American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada

VI. Discussion and Possible Action on Recommendations to the Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice

Transfer and Certification Practices

- A. Recommend drafting of legislation to expand the “reverse waiver” mechanism whereby the court would have greater discretion to decide whether a youth should be prosecuted in adult criminal court.
- B. Recommend drafting of legislation to revise or remove “once an adult, always an adult” provisions in the *Nevada Revised Statutes* to allow the court greater discretion to determine when it is appropriate to transfer a youth’s case from adult criminal court to juvenile court based on the “best interest of the child.”

Appropriate Housing for Youthful Offenders in State Custody

- C. Recommend that the Committee consider support for the following:
 - 1. Pursue development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the DOC and various juvenile justice facilities that would allow for the transfer of all youthful offenders from DOC facilities to juvenile facilities;
 - 2. Consider legislation mandating the transfer of youthful offenders under 18 years old to juvenile facilities;
 - 3. Visit co-located facilities, MOU-based facilities, and facilities under statutory juvenile series management;
 - 4. Conduct further study prior to moving forward with a Capital Improvement Program for the building of a co-located facility; and
 - 5. Conduct a “trial period” of housing youths from the Nevada Youth Training Center at the Jan Evans Juvenile Justice Center.

Recommendations Offered by Chairman Ohrensball

- D. Recommend that the Committee request legislation to amend Chapter 62C.030(4) of the *Nevada Revised Statutes* to make housing a juvenile in a juvenile detention facility the 'default' regardless of the charge and require the State to petition the court to transfer the juvenile to an adult facility pending the upcoming court process if the State so chooses.
- E. Recommend that the Committee request legislation to amend the *Nevada Revised Statutes* to allow early parole eligibility for youthful offenders who have been certified into the adult system, convicted, and are serving time in an adult facility of the DOC.
- F. Recommend that the Committee request legislation extending the provisions of Section 1.7 of A.B. 155 (Chapter 253, *Statutes of Nevada 2013*) concerning mandated reporting among child advocacy attorneys to a similarly situated child's defense attorney in a juvenile delinquency proceeding.

Further Recommendations

- G. Consideration of recommendations concerning juvenile justice issues offered at this meeting.

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VIII. Adjournment

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