

38-2390. Legislative cost study analysis of youth residential centers. (a) On or before January 15, 2015, the secretary of corrections shall perform the actions required by this section and report on such actions to the house committee on corrections and juvenile justice, the senate committee on federal and state affairs and the joint committee on corrections and juvenile justice oversight.

(b) The secretary shall conduct a cost study analysis of all youth residential centers for juvenile offenders under contract to provide services to the department of corrections. The cost study analysis shall:

(1) Include detailed analysis of allowable expenses necessary to meet the minimum requirements for: (A) Licensure of a youth residential center by the department of health and environment; (B) service under contracts with the department of corrections; and (C) compliance with the prison rape elimination act, 42 U.S.C. § 15601 et seq.; and

(2) identify any cost associated with program or other expenses which add [adds] value to the services provided to juvenile offenders by youth residential centers in addition to such minimum requirements.

(c) The secretary shall evaluate program needs within youth residential centers for juvenile offenders and compare such needs with program availability. The secretary shall propose modifications to the legislature which align program availability with program needs.

(d) The secretary shall develop a fee schedule for youth residential services for juvenile offenders to include daily payment rates necessary for base service and rates for program component additions to such base service.

(e) The secretary shall develop a plan for performance-based incentive payment opportunities and a plan for integration of such payment opportunities into the fee schedule developed pursuant to subsection (d). The secretary shall also develop a plan to measure performance and evaluate the effectiveness of juvenile offender service providers.

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