

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE CORRECTIONS AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pat Colloton at 1:30 p.m. on January 26, 2009, in Room 535-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Charlie Roth- excused
Representative Frownfelter- excused

Committee staff present:

Jackie Lunn, Committee Assistant
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Christina Butler, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jerry Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jason Thompson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Russell Jennings, Commissioner, Juvenile Justice Authority

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairperson Colloton opened the meeting by calling for bill introductions and recognized Representative Spalding.

Representative Pauls moved to introduce a bill regarding fleeing from plain clothed police officer. Vice-Chairman Patton seconded. Motion carried.

Chairperson Colloton moved to introduce a bill regarding the fee the Court charges for bonding. Representative McCray-Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Chairperson Colloton recognized Representative Pauls once again.

Representative Pauls moved to introduce a bill requiring SRS to send all reports of abuse or neglect to the district or county attorney of that jurisdiction. Chairperson Colloton seconded. Motion carried.

After discussion concerning the bills introduced in Committee, Chairperson Colloton called for a vote for the bills to be Committee bills. The vote by the Committee is unanimous.

The Committee had a short discussion on the number of bills in the Committee and who requested the bill introduction. Chairperson Colloton outlined her plan for hearing and working all the bills in the Committee.

Next, Chairperson Colloton introduced Russell Jennings, Commissioner, Juvenile Justice Authority to give an overview of the Juvenile Justice Authority. Commissioner Jennings presented written copy of his power point presentation. (Attachment 1) Commissioner Jennings gave a brief review of his credentials and opened his overview stating that the Juvenile Justice System had four components:

- Community Services-Core programs
- Community Residential Placements
- Juvenile Correction facilities-three operational
- JJA Central Office-System Administration

During the overview, Commissioner Jennings addressed questions of the Committee. He stated there are prevention and intervention programs that are targeted to the juvenile population at large and programs for persons identified as at risk for juvenile crime involvement. This program is designed to prevent juvenile crime before it occurs. He went on to highlight the community funding; the number of intakes; and the number and age of youth processed. He also talked about the Youth Level of Service Inventory/Case Management Inventory (YLS/CMI) and stated that Dr. Pealer has been scheduled to explain this program in detail in a later meeting.

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Commissioner Jennings also reviewed the Juvenile Justice Out of Home Placement Program. In closing for the day, he referred the Committee to a handout entitled *Court Dispositions* from the FY08 Annual Report of the Courts of Kansas which he quickly reviewed. (Attachment 2)

- 13,248 Juvenile Offender Cases Filed
- 2,616 Dismissed
- 3,043 Diversion Agreement
- 6,553 Adjudicated by Plea
- 452 Adjudicated by Plea
- 55 Transferred to Adult Court

Commissioner Jennings' presentation was continued to January 27, 2009.

Chairperson Colloton announced the tour scheduled for 3:30 p.m. was cancelled because of the weather. She adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for January 27, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. in room 535 N.