



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission
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**Minutes of the Regular Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission
Special Meeting
Tuesday, June 30, 2015, 7 p.m.
455 County Center, Room 402, Redwood City**

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Susan Swope – Chair, Mieke Barrows, Michele Gustafson, Lara Montoya, Bonnie Miller

Commissioners Excused: Valerie Gibbs, Al Serrato, Marianna Klebanov, Irv Rollins

I. Consideration of Support of S. 1169, the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2015

Summary of Bill:

This bill reinstates grant funding for juvenile delinquency prevention programs at the state and county levels. The Act was last reauthorized in 2002 and the bill expired in 2007, but funding has continued in every year since. However there is no funding for the JJDP in the fiscal year 2016 budget, this bill rectifies that.

In addition to providing funding, it

- Phases out use of the Valid Court Order, which allows judges to place youth in detention for status offences.
- Gives clear direction to states and localities to plan and implement a data driven approaches to insure fairness and reduce a racial and ethnic disparities and set measureable objectives for disparate reduction and publicly report such efforts.
- Extends the jail removal and site and sound core requirements to keep youth awaiting trial in criminal court out of adult lockups and to insure sight and sound separation in the limited circumstances where they are held in adult facilities.
- Calls for the OJJDP administrator to report annually on state data regarding the uses of isolation and restraints in juvenile detention.
- Required development of policy and procedures to eliminate the use of dangerous practices and unreasonable use of restraints or isolation through the use of alternative behavior and management techniques.
- Ensures funds be used to promote evidence-based and trauma-informed programs and
- Provides for community based alternatives to detention and encourages family engagement.
- Allows for easier transfer of education credits for system involved youth and calls for a focus on the particular needs of girls either in the system or at risk of entering the juvenile system.

- Supports state efforts to expand the access to council and encourages programs that inform youth of opportunities to seal or expunge juvenile records.
- Reauthorizes the juvenile accountability block grant starting at \$159,000,000 for the coming fiscal year and increasing 2% per year for the next 5 years.
- Provides greater oversight for grant programs, increasing accountability. It requires a state plan be posted on line within 45 days of its approval to promote transparency. If the State is found to be out of compliance with a core protection it will lose 20% of the formula grant and 50 % of that would go to compliance states and 50% available to the administrator to help them become compliant.

The bill is still in committee. It has not gone to the full Senate yet. The sooner groups sign in support, the better. If it does not pass, juvenile justice and delinquency prevention groups will lose \$159,000,000 in funding. Eighty groups have signed in support so far. We could put this over until the July meeting but by then it could be over and the funding lost.

M:/Gustafson s:/ Montoya that the San Mateo County JJDPC lend its name in support of Senate bill 1169 the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2015. Passed: **Unanimously**

II. **Adjournment: 7:03**