

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—COMMITTEE ON
ELECTIONS, PROCEDURES, AND ETHICS

(ON BEHALF OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION’S STUDY OF
THE SYSTEM OF JUVENILE JUSTICE IN NEVADA)

FEBRUARY 10, 1999

Referred to Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics

SUMMARY—Directs Legislative Commission to continue study of system of juvenile justice in Nevada. (BDR R-224)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to continue the study of the system of juvenile justice in Nevada.

- 1 WHEREAS, The Legislative Commission was directed by Assembly
2 Concurrent Resolution No. 57 of the 69th session of the Nevada
3 Legislature to study specific issues relating to the system of juvenile justice
4 in this state; and
5 WHEREAS, The study was conducted during the 1997-98 legislative
6 interim and it facilitated a wide-ranging discussion by national, state and
7 local experts that resulted in the development of a comprehensive long-
8 range plan to improve the system of juvenile justice in this state; and
9 WHEREAS, The study concluded that a second phase of discussion,
10 oversight and consideration of this issue was necessary to ensure a
11 comprehensive approach that will result in meaningful improvements in
12 the system of juvenile justice in Nevada; now, therefore, be it
13 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE
14 CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to
15 continue the study of the system of juvenile justice in the State of Nevada;
16 and be it further
17 RESOLVED, That the study may include, but is not limited to:
18 1. A review and evaluation of the recent efforts made by state and
19 local juvenile authorities to adopt and use uniform criteria, methodology
20 and instruments when detaining a juvenile, placing a juvenile in a

1 correctional facility or placing a juvenile on probation or otherwise in the
2 community;

3 2. A review and evaluation of the system of intermediate sanctions and
4 corresponding interventions for delinquent youth;

5 3. A review of the results of an updated report on the assessment of the
6 need for juvenile correctional facilities and related programs in this state
7 that was originally completed in August 1992;

8 4. A review of the evaluation of the Standardized Juvenile Justice Data
9 Collection System of the Division of Child and Family Services of the
10 Department of Human Resources;

11 5. A review of the use in the juvenile justice system of this state of
12 programs intended to prevent and treat substance abuse, including, without
13 limitation, educational programs and aftercare efforts;

14 6. An assessment of the desirability of restructuring the relationship
15 between state and local juvenile justice agencies, including the potential to
16 produce a seamless continuum of care;

17 7. An assessment of gang activity and a review of prevention and
18 intervention efforts;

19 8. An assessment of school violence in this state;

20 9. A review of the survey of the availability of nontraditional
21 alternative education programs;

22 10. An assessment of the uniformity of standards of operation for
23 juvenile detention and juvenile correctional facilities;

24 11. An evaluation of the results of an assessment of the need for
25 mental health services for the juvenile justice population at the state and
26 local level;

27 12. A review and evaluation of a proposed integrated data system to
28 track the various interactions that individual youths have with the various
29 state and local service agencies;

30 13. A review and evaluation of the programs and efforts to reduce
31 truancy in public schools; and

32 14. A discussion of the desirability of implementing restorative justice
33 programs in this state, including programs involving interaction between
34 the delinquent juvenile and the victim; and be it further

35 RESOLVED, That no action may be taken by the study committee on
36 recommended legislation unless it receives a majority vote of the Senators
37 on the committee and a majority vote of the Assemblymen on the
38 committee; and be it further

39 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission submit a report of the
40 study and any recommendations for legislation to the 71st session of the
41 Nevada Legislature.

