

Senate Bill No. 231—Committee on Judiciary

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to juvenile justice; revising provisions relating to detention homes for the temporary detention of children; permitting such homes, under certain circumstances, to adjoin, be located on the same grounds as, or share common grounds or common facilities with an adult jail or adult lockup; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 62.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

62.180 1. Provision must be made for the temporary detention of children in a detention home to be conducted as an agency of the court or in some other appropriate public institution or agency, or the court may arrange for the care and custody of such children temporarily in private homes subject to the supervision of the court, or may arrange with any private institution or private agency to receive for temporary care and custody children within the jurisdiction of the court.

2. Except as *otherwise* provided in this subsection and subject to the provisions of this chapter, any county may provide, furnish and maintain at public expense a building suitable and adequate for the purpose of a detention home for the temporary detention of children. In a county whose population is 35,000 or more, the board of county commissioners shall provide the detention facilities. Two or more counties, without regard to their respective populations, may provide a combined detention home under suitable terms agreed upon between the respective boards of county commissioners and the judges of the juvenile court regularly sitting in the judicial districts covering the counties.

3. Any detention home built and maintained under this chapter must be constructed and conducted as nearly like a home as possible, and must not be deemed to be or treated as a penal institution. ~~In a county whose population is 35,000 or more,~~

4. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,* a detention home built and maintained under this chapter must not ~~be adjoining or~~ *adjoin, be located* on the same grounds as *, or share common facilities or common grounds with* a prison, *an adult* jail or *an adult* lockup. *If a detention home built and maintained under this chapter complies with the provisions of 28 C.F.R. § 31.303 relating to colocated facilities, the detention home may adjoin, be located on the same grounds as, or share common facilities or common grounds with an adult jail or an adult lockup.*

~~4.~~ 5. In addition to detention homes, a county may provide and maintain at public expense programs which provide alternatives to placing a child in a detention home.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.