SENATE BILL NO. 287-SENATORS WIENER, RAWSON, NEAL, WASHINGTON, PORTER, CARE, COFFIN, JACOBSEN, MATHEWS, TITUS AND TOWNSEND

## MARCH 7, 2001

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN LESLIE, CARPENTER, CEGAVSKE, ANDERSON, ARBERRY, BERMAN AND NOLAN

## Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriations for establishment of community-based programs that serve as alternatives to incarceration of minors. (BDR S-882)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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13 14 Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to minors; making appropriations for the establishment of community-based programs that serve as alternatives to incarceration of minors and for the employment of mental health counselors in the Youth Parole Bureau of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Resources; 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.** As used in this act, "juvenile court" has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 2 of NRS 213.230.

Sec. 2. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Resources for distribution to the juvenile court in each judicial district to be used for community-based programs that provide services related to mental health and alcohol and substance abuse as a supplement to the Community Corrections Partnership Block Grant:

For the fiscal year 2001-2002......\$600,000

Department of Human Resources the sum of \$250,000 for employment of two mental health counselors whose positions are established pursuant to section 5 of this act.



3. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Resources the sum of \$50,000 to contract for a study of the effectiveness of the Community Corrections Partnership Block Grant and the Transitional Community Reintegration Program.

**Sec. 3.** The Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Resources shall distribute the money appropriated by subsection 1 of section 2 of this act to the juvenile court in each judicial district proportionately on the basis of the population within the jurisdiction of each court and any other factors determined to be relevant by the Division.

- **Sec. 4.** 1. The sums appropriated by subsection 1 of section 2 of this act are available for either fiscal year. Any balance of those sums must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2003, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.
- 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriations made by subsections 2 and 3 of section 2 of this act must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2003, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.
- Sec. 5. The Director of the Department of Human Resources shall establish two Mental Health Counselor II positions in the Youth Parole Bureau of the Division of Child and Family Services, one of whom must be assigned to the northern parole district and one of whom must be assigned to the southern parole district, to provide comprehensive family therapy and to support parole counselors with case management to help reduce and prevent increases in parole revocations.
- **Sec. 6.** The Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Resources shall provide a written report of the results of the study carried out pursuant to subsection 3 of section 2 of this act to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the 72nd session of the Nevada Legislature.
  - **Sec. 7.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

