



**Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee**

**Proposed 2017 Recommendations  
For Discussion and Adoption**

**Pursuant to Public Act 16-147**

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<b>Proposed 2017 JJPOC Recommendation Summary</b>	
Diversion # 1	A centralized community-based diversion system plan that addresses the needs of at-risk and status offending youth within the context of their family, school, and community by providing early identification, screening, assessment, and developmentally appropriate intervention.
Diversion # 2	A call for collaboration between the Diversion Work Group and the Behavioral Health Plan Implementation Advisory Board to identify the elements and the inherent costs of behavioral health and substance use needs of youth diverted from justice involvement
Diversion # 3	Eliminating all remaining Families with Service Needs (FWSN) offenses from court referral effective July 1, 2018.
Incarceration # 1	JJPOC collaboration with the Children’s Behavioral Health Plan Implementation Advisory Board to identify the elements of the behavioral health service array that are most appropriate for addressing the mental health and substance use needs of children diverted or released from detention and the costs associated with enhancing identified system components, policies and procedures.
Incarceration # 2	The housing of 15 to 17 year-old children who are transferred to the adult court to be placed within an age and developmentally appropriate facility not under the Department of Correction.
Incarceration #3	An independent review of the CJTS population profile and placement tools, and issuance of a Request for Information (RFI) for possible replacement of CJTS with small community based treatment programs that are physically secure through the private nonprofit sector
Recidivism # 1	A comprehensive plan for the design and development of a Career Pathway system for youth involved in the juvenile justice system that provides access to educational and vocational programs.
Recidivism # 2	Annual reports to be submitted to the JJPOC on recidivism and other measures by DCF, Judicial Branch, and DOC.
Raise the Age to 21 Report # 1	A four and a half year phase in process for the Governor’s Raise the Age to 21 proposal in the event the legislation to do so is enacted into law
Raise the Age to 21 Report #2	Further study is needed on Harvard report recommendations addressing transfer to adult court, the lower age of juvenile jurisdiction and the continuum of services needed for emerging adults as well as the organizational structure on juvenile corrections
Raise the Age to 21 Report #3	In the event of passage of this measure, the JJPOC should be charged with monitoring all steps of the implementation process.