

SENATE BILL REPORT

EHB 1228

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE, MARCH 23, 1993

Brief Description: Allowing information exchange of all agencies, including schools, with youth in their care.

SPONSORS: Representatives Jones, Miller, Riley, Vance, Kessler, Basich, Karahalios and Leonard

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators A. Smith, Chairman; Hargrove, McCaslin, Nelson, Niemi, and Spanel.

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Hearing Dates: March 23, 1993

BACKGROUND:

Juvenile justice or care agencies provide care, treatment, and services to youth who commit or are alleged to commit juvenile offenses. Records relating to the commission of juvenile offenses may be shared by juvenile justice or child care agencies when an investigation or case involving the juvenile in question is being pursued by the other agency or when that other agency is assigned the responsibility of supervising the juvenile. The definition of a juvenile justice or care agency includes police, diversion units, court, prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, detention center, Attorney General, the Department of Social and Health Services and its contracting agencies, and persons or public or private agencies having children committed to their custody. The definition does not include schools.

SUMMARY:

The definition of a juvenile justice or care agency is modified to include schools.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested

TESTIMONY FOR:

This bill allows information to be exchanged and will greatly help schools provide pertinent assistance to juveniles.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Representative Evan Jones; Lois Smith, Jefferson County Juvenile Court Administration Assn.