

75-7056. Community graduated sanctions and prevention programs; community advisory committee, members, duties, participation in budgetary process. (a) In order to establish a mechanism for community prevention and graduated sanctions service providers to participate in the juvenile justice authority annual budget planning process, the commissioner of the juvenile justice authority shall establish a community advisory committee to identify new or enhanced community graduated sanctions and prevention programs.

(b) Such advisory committee shall consist of 10 members. The commissioner shall appoint eight members from the four geographical regions of the state as described in this subsection with one member from each region representing prevention programs and one member representing graduated sanctions programs. The four regions shall correspond to the southeast community corrections association region, the northeast community corrections association region, the central community corrections association region and the western community corrections association region. The commissioner shall appoint two community corrections association members from the state at large. The committee shall reflect the diversity of juvenile offender community services with respect to geographical location and average daily population of offenders under supervision.

(c) Each member shall be appointed for a term of three years, except that the terms of the initial appointments shall be staggered as determined by the commissioner. Each member shall continue in such capacity until a successor is appointed. Members shall be eligible for reappointment, and appointment may be made to fill an unexpired term.

(d) (1) The committee, in cooperation with the commissioner or the commissioner's designee, shall routinely examine and report to the commissioner on the following issues: (A) Efficiencies in the delivery of community supervision services including prevention and graduated sanction programs;

(B) effectiveness and enhancement of existing prevention and interventions and graduated sanctions;

(C) identification of new interventions; and

(D) effectiveness of juvenile justice prevention, intervention and graduated sanctions programs in reducing racial, geographic and other biases that may exist in the juvenile justice system.

(2) Such report shall address measurable goals and objectives, projected costs, the impact on public safety and the valuation process.

(e) The advisory committee shall submit its report to the commissioner annually on or before July 15 in order for the enhanced or new interventions to be considered for inclusion within the juvenile justice authority's budget request for local and community services or in the juvenile justice authority's enhanced services budget request for the subsequent fiscal year.

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