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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON JUVENILE CRIME.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson David Adkins at 9:00 a.m. on January 25, 1995 in Room 527-S of the Capitol.

All members were present .

Committee staff present: Don Cawby, Legislative Research Department
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the committee: Betsy Gillespie, Deputy Sec. of Corrections for Community Corrections

Others attending: See attached list

David Adkins introduced Betsy Gillespie, Deputy Secretary of Corrections for Community Corrections. She reported on the status of the expenditure of 1.5 million dollars appropriated during the last legislative session which has been used to develop new community correction programs for juvenile systems throughout the judicial districts in the state. Prior to this appropriation only eight judicial districts had juvenile correction programs. Currently, in one form or another, all judicial districts have juvenile justice community programs now operating. She handed out materials which provided a basic overview of the services provided in each of the judicial districts that are now participating. She urged the committee to consider recommending that the funding continue for this program and indicated that success had been achieved in a relatively short period of time in developing new programs which provide alternatives to incarceration or probation.

Next, Mark Gleeson, the coordinator for intake and assessment for the office of the judicial administrator with the Supreme Court of Kansas reported on the status of the intake and assessment of juveniles. He indicated that he was developing a structure modeled after the Tampa, Florida intake and assessment program. He indicated that he would be traveling to Tampa soon to study this program in more detail. Likewise, he commented on the progress that had been made utilizing the 1.5 million dollars appropriated for intake and assessment in the juvenile system during the last legislative session. He handed out testimony which detailed the progress which had been made and the current status of the intake and assessment system.

After questioning by committee members, the committee was adjourned. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for January 26, 1995.

