



JJPOC Raise the Age Subgroup MEETING

OCTOBER 13TH, 2022

Web-Based Meeting – Zoom

THIS MEETING DOES CONTAIN A PRESENTATION- DISCUSSIONS AND UPDATES

Summary:

- Discuss and Outline 2023 Recommendations
 - The group may need to focus on legislative mandates but, other groups may be willing to push for raise the age
 - Making a recommendation was not shot down though so for now the workgroup will continue to prepare for this recommendation
 - Senator would like the JJPOC legislation tracker updated
 - Look at what has been passed, when implementation dates are, if on schedule and if not on schedule, why?
 - If implemented, what has been the effect?
 - Discussion regarding what age the group wants to push for (12, 13, 14?)
 - If decided on 14, does group want 12 then 14 or straight to 14
 - Looked at other states ages
 - Michigan- going for higher age (14) in order to have room to negotiate down to 12
 - Discussion regarding explaining the impact and the system to catch the juveniles and meet needs
 - Brief discussion on political climate and its effect on recommendations
 - Don't want to reach too far and push "train off the tracks"
 - Discussion specifying the language surrounding treatment and court involvement in recommendation document
 - Specify no court involvement but rather community services
 - Specify if we are keeping them from court or doing something different
 - Discussion regarding funding and the ARPA funds for mental health
 - Have funding language in recommendation in order to hopefully keep funding when ARPA funding ends
 - Planned to add a section figuring out where funding for this age group is coming from, this will be a collaborative effort
 - Have wanted to do this but not much transparency
 - Top costs of this age group (more targeted)
 - Decisions were made to:
 - Make updates to document



- Push to raise the age to 14
- Use a phased in approach for raising the age (12 in 2023, then 14 in 2024)
- No carve outs for specific crimes
- Next goal is to figure out who will service these juveniles
 - Juveniles who go to court typically get less services than those who do not
- Group will work out the details via email
- Major pushes for this session are:
 - Alternatives for arrest addendum
 - Improved commissary for Juveniles
 - No suspensions or expulsions from school