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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representatives Garcia and Adams offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove lines 101-149 and insert:

5 appropriate. If, following a needs assessment, the child is
6 found to be in need of mental health services or substance abuse
7 treatment services, the department shall cooperate with the
8 child's parent, custodian, or legal guardian and the Department
9 of Children and Family Services, as appropriate, to identify the
10 most appropriate services and supports and available funding
11 sources to meet the needs of the child.

12 (10) RESTORATIVE JUSTICE.--

13 (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that the juvenile
14 justice system advance the principles of restorative justice.
15 The department shall focus on repairing the harm to victims of
16 delinquent behavior, ensuring that the child understands the

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17 effect of his or her delinquent behavior on the victim and the
18 community, and restoring the loss suffered by the victim. The
19 department shall ensure that victims of juvenile crime are
20 afforded all rights as enumerated in the State Constitution,
21 chapter 960, and this chapter.

22 (b) Offender accountability is one of the basic principles
23 of restorative justice. The premise of this principle is that
24 the juvenile justice system must respond to delinquent behavior
25 in such a way that the offender is made aware of and takes
26 responsibility for repaying or restoring loss, damage, or injury
27 to the victim and the community. This goal is achieved when the
28 offender understands the consequences of delinquent behavior in
29 terms of harm to others, and when the offender compensates for
30 the harm, loss, or damage through restitution, community
31 service, or other appropriate payback.

32 (11) EQUAL TREATMENT OF YOUTH.--The department shall
33 examine and, if necessary, revise its strategies, policies, and
34 practices to ensure that all youth are treated equally,
35 regardless of their gender, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status,
36 without jeopardizing public safety. The department shall solicit
37 input from community stakeholders and affected citizens to
38 assist in the modification of strategies, policies, and
39 practices to ensure equal treatment.

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42 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

43 Remove lines 13-15 and insert:

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44 the principles of restorative justice; requiring the
45 department to examine and revise its strategies, policies,
46 and practices to ensure that all youth are treated equally,
47 without jeopardizing public safety;

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