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An act relating to reports and functions of the Department of Juvenile Justice; amending s. 985.47, F.S.; deleting a provision that requires the Department of Juvenile Justice to develop an annual report on the performance of assessment and treatment services for serious or habitual juvenile offenders for delivery to the Governor and other designated persons by a specified date; amending s. 985.483, F.S.; deleting a provision that requires the department to develop an annual report on the performance of assessment and treatment services of the intensive residential treatment program for offenders less than 13 years of age for delivery to the Governor and other designated persons by a specified date; repealing s. 985.625(5), F.S., relating to the requirement that the department and the Department of Education develop and implement an evaluation of the literacy programs for juvenile offenders and prepare an annual report on the progress of the literacy programs; repealing s. 985.636, F.S., relating to the authority of the Secretary of Juvenile Justice to designate certain persons within the Office of Inspector General to enforce any criminal law and conduct any criminal investigation that relates to state-operated programs or state-operated facilities over which the department has jurisdiction; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section 985.47, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

985.47 Serious or habitual juvenile offender.-

- (8) ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT SERVICES.—Pursuant to this chapter and the establishment of appropriate program guidelines and standards, contractual instruments, which shall include safeguards of all constitutional rights, shall be developed as follows:
  - (a) The department shall provide for:
- 1. The oversight of implementation of assessment and treatment approaches.
- 2. The identification and prequalification of appropriate individuals or not-for-profit organizations, including minority individuals or organizations when possible, to provide assessment and treatment services to serious or habitual delinquent children.
- 3. The monitoring and evaluation of assessment and treatment services for compliance with this chapter and all applicable rules and guidelines pursuant thereto.
- 4. The development of an annual report on the performance of assessment and treatment to be presented to the Governor, the Attorney General, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Auditor General no later than January 1 of each year.
- Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section 985.483, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 985.483 Intensive residential treatment program for

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offenders less than 13 years of age.-

- (8) ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT SERVICES.—Pursuant to this chapter and the establishment of appropriate program guidelines and standards, contractual instruments, which shall include safeguards of all constitutional rights, shall be developed for intensive residential treatment programs for offenders less than 13 years of age as follows:
  - (a) The department shall provide for:
- 1. The oversight of implementation of assessment and treatment approaches.
- 2. The identification and prequalification of appropriate individuals or not-for-profit organizations, including minority individuals or organizations when possible, to provide assessment and treatment services to intensive offenders less than 13 years of age.
- 3. The monitoring and evaluation of assessment and treatment services for compliance with this chapter and all applicable rules and guidelines pursuant thereto.
- 4. The development of an annual report on the performance of assessment and treatment to be presented to the Governor, the Attorney General, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability no later than January 1 of each year.
- Section 3. <u>Subsection (5) of section 985.625, Florida</u>

  <u>Statutes, is repealed.</u>
  - Section 4. Section 985.636, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
  - Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

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