

CS/SB 1012 — Department of Juvenile Justice Facilities and Programs

by Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee and Senator Jones

The bill creates a definition of “ordinary medical care in department facilities and programs” to include routine medical procedures such as “inoculations, physical examinations, remedial treatment for minor illnesses and injuries, preventive services, medication management, chronic disease detection and treatment, and other routine medical procedures that . . . do not involve hospitalization, surgery, or use of general anesthesia.” Section 985.03(39), F.S.

The bill also amends s. 985.64, F.S., the department’s rulemaking statute, to require the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) to adopt rules for ordinary medical care, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and developmental disabilities services. Additionally, the bill requires the DJJ to coordinate its rulemaking effort with the Department of Children and Family Services and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to ensure there is no encroachment on either agency’s substantive jurisdiction. As appropriate, the DJJ must include the above agencies in its rulemaking process.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2010.

Vote: Senate 34-0; House 117-0