Adjudicated Youth Recidivism Rates

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Sec. 513 (5). It is the intent of the legislature that the department work in conjunction with the courts and the state court administrative office to identify data needed to calculate statewide recidivism rates for adjudicated youth placed in either residential secure or non-secure facilities, defined at 6 months after a youth is released from placement.

(6). By March 1 of the current fiscal year, the department shall notify the legislature on the status of efforts to accomplish the intent of subsection (5).



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This subsection is being addressed by Mental Health Diversion Council and added to their strategic action plan. The juvenile justice members of the Mental Health Diversion Council plan to work in conjunction with the courts and the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) to identify data needed to calculate statewide recidivism rates for adjudicated youth placed in either residential secure or non-secure facilities, defined at 6 months after a youth is released from placement.

The Mental Health Diversion Council acknowledges the need to develop the necessary data however, currently there is no source of funding to support these efforts. Therefore, the initial efforts will focus on the development of a statewide operational definition of recidivism.