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TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Assembly Bill 1998 Implementation: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item provides an overview of Assembly Bill 1998 (Campos) (Statutes of 2016, Chapter 880) (Attachment F-1), which includes revised reporting requirements for the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and the Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) programs. In addition, AB 1998 requires the Board to develop recommendations “for best practices and standardization for counties on how to disaggregate juvenile justice caseload and performance outcome data by race and ethnicity.” Staff will work with stakeholders to ensure the implementation of the changes to the reporting requirements for JJCPA and the YOBG programs. In addition, staff further recommends that the Board delegate the task of developing recommendations for the disaggregation of specified juvenile justice data to the Juvenile Justice Standing Committee.

Background

In 2014, the Legislature passed, and the Governor signed, Assembly Bill 1468 (Statutes of 2014, Chapter 26) (Attachment F-2), which established the Juvenile Justice Data Working Group (JJDWG) at the Board of State and Community Corrections. Chaired by Board Member David Steinhart, the JJDWG developed a report titled *Recommendations to Revise County Reporting Requirements for the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) Program* (Attachment F-3), which was provided to the Board on June 10, 2015. The report included many recommendations, some of which were incorporated into AB 1998.

The most significant changes contained in AB 1998 are:

- Annual plans for JJCPA and YOBG will be combined into one document that will be due to the BSCC each year by May 1. The annual plan will describe all programs, placements, strategies, and system enhancements that will be supported with JJCPA and/or YOBG funds. Counties will no longer be required to include a proposed budget in the annual plan.
- The JJCPA component of the annual plan will no longer require Board of Supervisors’ approval.
- The BSCC will no longer approve annual plans and the current outcome reporting requirements for JJCPA and YOBG are being replaced with new annual reports described below.

- Annual year-end reports for JJCPA and YOBG will be combined by counties into one document that will be due to the BSCC by October 1 of each year.
- Annual year-end reports will describe programs, strategies and system enhancements that were funded during the preceding fiscal year, including identification of any programs that are co-funded by JJCPA and YOBG. Reports will include line-item budget detail for all programs, strategies and system enhancements that were funded and will be posted to the Board's website. In addition to expenditure information, annual year-end reports will include countywide figures for specified juvenile justice data elements. Reports will also include a summary or analysis of how grant funded programs have or may have contributed to or influenced the countywide data that is reported.

The first set of county reports required under AB 1998 are due May 1, 2017. Staff is developing the new, combined annual plan format and instructions to ensure successful implementation of the new requirements. Staff anticipates releasing this information to counties and posting it to the BSCC website in January 2017.

In addition to the adoption of several JJDWG recommendations, the BSCC is also required to develop recommendations by January 1, 2018 for best practices and standardization for counties on how to disaggregate juvenile justice caseload and performance outcome data by race and ethnicity. Staff recommends that these recommendations be developed by the Juvenile Justice Standing Committee and brought back to the full Board for approval.

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends delegating to the JJSC the task of developing recommendations to implement the provisions of AB 1998 relating to the disaggregation of data on race and ethnicity. Staff further recommends that the JJSC report its recommendations back to the full Board prior to the April 2017 Board meeting.

Attachments

F-1: AB 1998

F-2: AB 1468

F-3: Recommendations to Revise County Reporting Requirements for the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) Program