

so programs, that would be the probation and the things that you had mentioned.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, functions, is that just a general term to indicate what they will do as an agency or whatever it is that they are considered to be?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: That's how I would interpret that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, the services are what? Are these services that this office would take over from some other agency or...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, because in many cases the Department of Social Services and in some cases the DPI, though not as much, and in some cases the Department of Education, each would have a role in designing a...whether it's an education program or the services that would be available, for example, if they were eligible for Medicaid. And a lot of these...most of these will try to be transferred over to the Office of Juvenile Justice, once the evaluation gets going, so that we can control where they go and have the money follow that child.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Who in this...how many people are there working in this juvenile justice...this Juvenile Services Office?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: You know, Ernie, I don't know. I'm going to...the number off the top of my head is five.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now these five people would not be able to handle all these services that you discussed that would be transferred from other agencies, would they?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And it would be this office that is going to then handle these services themselves, once they're transferred.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So that means they're going to hire additional staff, they would have to.