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system because I think it might be helpful to the new members and some of the members who've been here. This is a very complicated system, and as someone once described to me, it isn't even a system. It's more a system of handoff, because so many governmental subdivisions are involved. Things happen at the local level. Kids are taken to intake, which is a state service. They are put in detention, which is a county service. They go to the juvenile court. They may be prosecuted. They may not be prosecuted. They may be put on probation. They may be put in a group home. They may be sent home with certain services. What we're talking about today is the group of kids who end up with the Office of Juvenile Services. In 1993, actually 1992 and '93, the Legislature created a commission that worked for a year and came up with recommendations for reform of the juvenile justice system. One of the reform measures that the Legislature adopted was that you needed to concentrate these services in one office of state government, and that was the Office of Juvenile Services. The decision that was made at that time was to leave probation with the court system. So probation is separate. This bill is about the Office of Juvenile Services, which is a part of the Department of Health and Human Services. That happened with the merger of the various five agencies that became the Department of Health and Human Services. When in 1993 the Legislature created the Office of Juvenile Services, it was a separate division with a separate appointed director in the Department of Corrections. Now this I know is pretty complicated, but let me tell you where we have come since 1994 when the office came into being. All the good intentions of the Legislature at that time were to beef it up, give it some money for more community-based services, try to begin to address the problems. But most of the gains that were made, the extra probation...or parole officers that were added, the community-based services that were begun were absorbed very quickly because we had a tremendous increase in juvenile crime in the state. So we are looking at a situation that we never got out of the starting blocks on. So here we are, seven years later, six years later, and we have a lot of the same issues. This bill deals with one segment of those issues and I would just like to go back to Senator Chambers' comments because, as Chair of the Juvenile Justice Task Force, I do want you to know that the group works very hard, spends a tremendous amount of time, want to let you know who was on that group, and I'm going