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to be able to implement a way for probation to do that. I've met with probation. They are willing to take this on. The task force will help guide their decisions, and it will be our intention that they would implement the standardized juvenile detention screening instrument by October 1st of 2001, and that will need to be staffed. So even though this bill has a very small fiscal note, we need to know that there will need to be a commitment to be able to do that, but there will be cost savings and better decisions made about the kids because we've implemented a screening instrument, and there will be more of a sense of fairness in treating youth throughout the state in a similar manner. They are also going to need to develop a plan for secure detention, transportation services, detention services. Not all detention needs to be in a secure facility and that...so that word is used very broadly, and to recommend a funding strategy for that, and some of the work on that issue has already been done by the consultant and is part of the plan. We also don't have standards for juvenile diversion services throughout the state. One of the findings is that we could keep kids out of the juvenile justice system, from penetrating the system, if there were juvenile diversion services throughout the state, but they shouldn't...they need to be used in a certain fashion or you just throw the net wider than you need to. So what we'll be doing with the task force, if you approve it, is to develop those...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...standards for detention. And one of the most important things the task force will do is review the structure, purpose and function of juvenile probation, look at it's staffing pattern. For example, as I mentioned, only three counties have intake. That's because only three counties have juvenile probation officers. The rest of the state is mixed in with regular probation. The consultant felt there would be better management and supervision of the youth if we looked to some type of structure that would provide for more specialization in juvenile services. So the task force will look at that. It will be staffed by Dr. Denise Herz from the University of Nebraska Omaha, who has done work for the state, and the Crime Commission, and staffed the task force last year that was formed by the Legislature, and she has done a lot of