

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.  
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By: Senators J. Hutchinson, J. Woods

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES OF THE  
ARKANSAS COALITION FOR *JUVENILE JUSTICE BOARD*; AND  
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

*CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES OF  
THE ARKANSAS COALITION FOR JUVENILE  
JUSTICE BOARD.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

*SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 9, Chapter 28, is amended to add an  
additional subchapter to read as follows:*

*Subchapter 11 - Arkansas Coalition for Juvenile Justice Board.*

*9-28-1101. Creation - Board - Members.*

*(a) There is created the Arkansas Coalition for Juvenile Justice  
Board.*

*(b)(1) The board shall consist of a minimum of fifteen (15) members  
and a maximum of thirty-three (33) members appointed by the Governor.*

*(2) There shall be no more than five (5) members of the board  
who are state employees.*

*(3)(A) There shall be no more than two (2) members of the board  
who are employees of the Division of Youth Services of the Department of  
Human Services who are appointed by the Director of the Department of Human*



Services.

(B) An employee of the division shall serve as a non-voting board member.

(c)(1) Members shall serve for a term of three (3) years.

(2)(A) A member of the board shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms.

(B) A former member of the board must wait at least two (2) years after completing two (2) consecutive terms before he or she may return as a member of the board.

(d) The Governor shall designate one (1) member to serve as the chair of the board.

(e) A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

(f) A member shall abstain from a vote if the member or member's organization may benefit from the action voted upon.

9-28-1102. Duties.

The Arkansas Coalition for Juvenile Justice Board shall:

(1) Supervise funds directed to the Arkansas Coalition for Juvenile Justice under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2013;

(2) Actively pursue federal funding opportunities to address juvenile delinquency, including best practices programs;

(3) Direct and approve funds expended under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2013;

(4) Oversee the expenditures of the Department of Youth Services of the Division of Human Services for support staff paid with funds under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2013; and

(5)(A) Review reports, minutes, and plans submitted by appointed groups, committees, and subcommittees focused on the four (4) core requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2013.

(B) Groups, committees, and subcommittees of the General Assembly or the office of the Governor are not required to submit reports,

minutes, or plans to the board.

9-28-1103. Support agency.

(a) The Arkansas Coalition for Juvenile Justice Board may contract with the Department of Human Services to provide support services for the board and the board's activities under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2013.

(b) The board shall provide the department with notice of the department's failure to comply with the core requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq., as it existed on January 1, 2013, which results in the loss of funding before the board terminates a contract with the department for support services.

9-28-1104. Reports.

(a) The board shall report on the activities of the board at least once each quarter to the Governor, the Senate Committee on Children and Youth, and the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs.

(b) The Arkansas Coalition for Juvenile Justice Board shall submit the state juvenile justice plan, including an explanation of any changes made to the plan, to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than July 1, 2013, and every two (2) years thereafter.

/s/Wardlaw

**APPROVED: 04/23/2013**