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JUVENILE ISSUES TASK FORCE

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JOEL PRITCHARD
President of the Senate

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Yeas 96 Nays 0

JOE KING
**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved May 16, 1991

CERTIFICATE

I, Gordon Golob, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5167** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

GORDON A. GOLOB
Secretary

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BOOTH GARDNER
Governor of the State of Washington

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Nelson, Rasmussen, Newhouse, Stratton, Roach, Niemi and Talmadge).

Read first time March 11, 1991.

1 AN ACT Relating to juvenile justice; creating new sections; and
2 declaring an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A juvenile issues task force is created
5 to review the operation of the 1977 Juvenile Justice Act, the Family
6 Reconciliation Act, the 1990 "at-risk" youth legislation, and to study
7 related issues. The task force is charged with issuing a report and
8 making recommendations to the legislature by December 15, 1991.

9 The task force shall consist of the following members:

10 (1) Three co-chairs, one from the state senate appointed by the
11 president of the senate; one from the state house of representatives
12 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and one
13 appointed by the governor from among the members of the task force
14 named in subsection (3) of this section.

1 (2) Eight legislators in addition to the two legislative cochairs
2 selected under subsection (1) of this section, two each from the
3 majority and minority caucuses of the senate and two each from the
4 majority and minority caucuses of the house of representatives.

5 (3) The governor shall appoint the following members of the task
6 force:

7 (a) Three superior court judges;

8 (b) Two prosecuting attorneys;

9 (c) Two juvenile public defenders;

10 (d) The secretary of social and health services or the secretary's
11 designee;

12 (e) Two juvenile court administrators;

13 (f) One police chief or county sheriff;

14 (g) One child psychologist;

15 (h) One child psychiatrist;

16 (i) Two directors of a youth organization;

17 (j) One person from the Washington council on crime and
18 delinquency;

19 (k) One person from a parents' organization;

20 (l) One person from a crisis residential center;

21 (m) One juvenile court caseworker;

22 (n) One representative of the executive branch;

23 (o) One member of the mental health treatment community; and

24 (p) One member from the substance abuse treatment community.

25 The department of social and health services shall fund the task
26 force in an amount sufficient to meet its mission. The task force
27 shall be staffed, to the extent possible, by staff available from the
28 membership of the task force.

29 The governor shall ensure that the racial diversity of the task
30 force membership appointed by the governor reflects the racial

1 diversity of juveniles served under the Family Reconciliation Act, the
2 1977 Juvenile Justice Act, and the 1990 "at-risk" youth legislation.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The department of social and health
4 services, in cooperation with the commission on African American
5 affairs, shall contract for an independent study of racial
6 disproportionality in the juvenile justice system. The study shall
7 identify key decision points in the juvenile justice system where race
8 and/or ethnicity-based disproportionality exists in the treatment and
9 incarceration of juvenile offenders. The study shall identify the
10 causes of disproportionality, and propose new policies and procedures
11 to address disproportionality.

12 The department shall submit the study's preliminary findings and
13 recommendations to the juvenile justice task force established under
14 section 1 of this act by September 13, 1991. The final report shall be
15 submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December
16 1, 1991.

17 The juvenile justice task force shall utilize the information on
18 disproportionality in developing its report and recommendations to the
19 legislature required under section 1 of this act. If by June 30, 1991,
20 the omnibus operating budget appropriations act for the 1991-93
21 biennium does not provide specific funding for this section,
22 referencing this section by bill number and section, this section is
23 null and void.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
26 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
27 effect immediately.

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