



---

---

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF MEMORANDUM

---

---

Memo No. 8

TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON HIGH-RISK JUVENILE OFFENDERS

FROM: Melissa Schmidt, Staff Attorney

RE: Comparison of the Missouri Model With Wisconsin's Juvenile Corrections System

DATE: October 9, 2008

Enclosed for the committee's information is a short memorandum prepared by Silvia Jackson, Assistant Administrator for the Division of Juvenile Corrections (DJC). The memorandum compares aspects of Wisconsin's juvenile correctional system with Missouri.

The memorandum refers to two reports, one prepared by the Missouri Division of Youth Services (MDYS) and another prepared by Ohio's Department of Youth Services (ODYS). The first report is entitled, *Missouri Department of Social Services, Division of Youth Services Annual Report: Fiscal Year 2007*. The second is entitled, *A Closer Look at ... The Missouri Model: An Analysis of the Missouri Model in Comparison to the Ohio Department of Youth Services*. The Ohio report, written in 2006 by an ODYS team, compares Ohio's juvenile justice program with Missouri's program. The director of ODYS requested information to determine the appropriateness and feasibility of replicating some or all of the Missouri model in Ohio. Ohio's report systematically analyzes MDYS's structure and services and compares it to that of ODYS. The report describes what changes in Ohio laws and policies are needed if it were to implement the Missouri model.

These two reports are posted on the committee's website and can be found at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lc/committees/study/2008/JUVE/index.htm>.

MS:ksm

Enclosure