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To authorize the Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Programs to make grants to States and units of local government to assist in providing secure facilities for violent and chronic juvenile offenders, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 25 (legislative day, APRIL 24), 1995

Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. SPECTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Juvenile Corrections
5 Act of 1995”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR VIOLENT AND CHRONIC JUVENILE**
2 **FACILITIES.**

3 (a) GRANTS.—The Administrator may make grants
4 to States and units of local government or combinations
5 thereof to assist them in planning, establishing, and oper-
6 ating secure facilities, staff-secure facilities, detention cen-
7 ters, and other correctional programs for violent and seri-
8 ous chronic juvenile offenders.

9 (b) APPLICATIONS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The chief executive officer of
11 a State or unit of local government that desires to
12 receive a grant under this section shall submit to the
13 Administrator an application, in such form and in
14 such manner as the Administrator may prescribe.

15 (2) CONTENTS.—An application under para-
16 graph (1) shall—

17 (A) provide assurances that each facility or
18 program funded with a grant under this section
19 will provide appropriate educational and voca-
20 tional training and substance abuse treatment
21 for juvenile offenders; and

22 (B) provide assurances that each facility or
23 program funded with a grant under this section
24 will afford juvenile offenders intensive post-
25 release supervision and services.

26 (c) MINIMUM AMOUNT.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
2 graph (2), each qualifying State, together with units
3 of local government within the State, shall be allo-
4 cated for each fiscal year not less than 1.0 percent
5 of the total amount appropriated for that fiscal year
6 for grants under subsection (b).

7 (2) EXCEPTION.—The United States Virgin Is-
8 lands, American Samoa, Guam, and the Northern
9 Mariana Islands shall each be allocated 0.2 percent
10 of the total amount appropriated for that fiscal year
11 for grants under subsection (b).

12 (d) PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.—

13 (1) EVALUATION COMPONENTS.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—Each facility or pro-
15 gram funded under this section shall contain an
16 evaluation component developed pursuant to
17 guidelines established by the Administrator.

18 (B) OUTCOME MEASURES.—The evalua-
19 tions required by this subsection shall include
20 outcome measures that can be used to deter-
21 mine the effectiveness of the funded programs,
22 including the effectiveness of such programs in
23 comparison with other correctional programs or
24 dispositions in reducing the incidence of recidi-
25 vism, and other outcome measures.

1 (2) PERIODIC REVIEW AND REPORTS.—

2 (A) REVIEW.—The Administrator shall re-
3 view the performance of each grant recipient
4 under this section.

5 (B) REPORTS.—The Administrator may
6 require a grant recipient to submit to the Office
7 of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
8 the results of the evaluations required under
9 paragraph (1) and such other data and infor-
10 mation as are reasonably necessary to carry out
11 the Administrator’s responsibilities under this
12 section.

13 (e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.—The
14 Administrator shall provide technical assistance and train-
15 ing to States and units of local government that receive
16 grants under this section to achieve the purposes of this
17 section.

18 (f) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

19 (1) the term “Administrator” means the Ad-
20 ministrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and De-
21 linquency Prevention Programs;

22 (2) the term “qualifying State” means a State
23 that has submitted, or a State in which an eligible
24 unit of local government has submitted, a grant ap-

1 plication that meets the requirements of subsections
2 (b) and (d); and

3 (3) the term “State” means a State, the Dis-
4 trict of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto
5 Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, American
6 Samoa, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

7 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
8 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this
9 section—

- 10 (1) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 1996;
- 11 (2) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 1997;
- 12 (3) \$190,000,000 for fiscal year 1998;
- 13 (4) \$200,000,000 for fiscal year 1999; and
- 14 (5) \$207,000,000 for fiscal year 2000.

15 **SEC. 3. COMPENSATING REDUCTION OF AUTHORIZATION**
16 **OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

17 Section 20109 of the Violent Crime Control and Law
18 Enforcement Act of 1994 is amended by striking para-
19 graphs (2) through (6) and inserting the following:

- 20 “(2) \$675,000,000 for fiscal year 1996;
- 21 “(3) \$900,000,000 for fiscal year 1997;
- 22 “(4) \$1,710,000,000 for fiscal year 1998;
- 23 “(5) \$1,800,000,000 for fiscal year 1999; and
- 24 “(6) \$1,863,000,000 for fiscal year 2000.”.

1 **SEC. 4. REPORT ON ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE**
2 **MEASURES IN JUVENILE CORRECTIONS**
3 **PROGRAMS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the
5 date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall,
6 after consultation with the National Institute of Justice
7 and other appropriate governmental and nongovernmental
8 organizations, submit to Congress a report regarding the
9 possible use of performance-based criteria in evaluating
10 and improving the effectiveness of juvenile corrections fa-
11 cilities and programs.

12 (b) CONTENTS.—The report required under this sec-
13 tion shall discuss—

14 (1) the range of performance-based measures
15 that might be utilized as evaluation criteria, includ-
16 ing measures of recidivism among juveniles who have
17 been incarcerated in facilities or have participated in
18 correctional programs;

19 (2) the feasibility of linking Federal juvenile
20 corrections funding to the satisfaction of perform-
21 ance-based criteria by grantees (including the use of
22 a Federal matching mechanism under which the
23 share of Federal funding would vary in relation to
24 the performance of a program or facility);

25 (3) whether, and to what extent, the data nec-
26 essary for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delin-

1 quency Prevention to utilize performance-based cri-
2 teria in its administration of juvenile corrections
3 programs are collected and reported nationally; and
4 (4) the estimated cost and feasibility of estab-
5 lishing minimal, uniform data collection and report-
6 ing standards nationwide that would allow for the
7 use of performance-based criteria in evaluating juve-
8 nile corrections programs and facilities and admin-
9 istering Federal juvenile corrections funds.

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