



## THROUGH THE EYES OF THE CHILD INITIATIVE

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## 2010 Legislative Bills

LB 800 includes a number of provisions regarding juvenile offenders and status offenders.

Update: LB 800 was signed into law by the Governor on April 13, 2010. LB 800 covers a variety of issues including early intervention on youth crime, parental involvement, school attendance, alternatives to detention, authority of probation officers in imposing sanctions, and sealing juvenile records. Related to abuse/neglect cases, the bill also eliminates the use of three-judge appeal panels (aka juvenile review panels) and approves the use of telephonic and video conferencing for all non-evidentiary hearings and all evidentiary hearings with the consent of the parties. LB 800 was passed by senators 48-0.

LB 971 includes a number of provisions relating to the care and placement of children in foster care regarding maintaining sibling relationships, providing prompt notification to relatives, and requiring transition plans for older youth.

LB 973 changes provisions relating to the central register of child protection cases.