

South Dakota's Senate Bill 73: Comprehensive Reform Implementation Successes

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	LEGISLATIVE CHANGE	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	OUTCOMES*
PREVENT DEEPER SYSTEM INVOLVEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creates citation process and expands diversion for lower-level offenses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed materials, including policies and procedures, to support rollout of citations and expanded diversion process 	<p>Expanded Use of Diversion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3.2 million upfront investment to support changes including diversion expansion \$242,500 reinvestment to 26 counties <p>1,000 Youth Diverted, 69% Successful</p>
LIMIT OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specifies commitment criteria for youth adjudicated for serious offenses Establishes presumptive length of probation and requires graduated responses for supervision violations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Validated risk assessment tool and ensuring sustained scoring consistency to improve outcomes Trained probation officers on graduated responses to enhance and sustain new skills 	<p>Less Commitment, More Probation Success</p> <p>50% New Commitments</p> <p>62% Probation Violations</p> <p>94% Success on Probation Up 9%</p>
REINVESTMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement performance-based reimbursement structure with private providers Statewide implementation of Functional Family Therapy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed performance measures to monitor community programs and track key system indicators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$6.1 million upfront investment in expanding community-based services Closure of the only state-run secure facility <p>38% Youth Under Jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections**</p>

*Outcome data show trends from 2014 (1 year pre-reform) to 2016 (1 year post-reform)

**Includes youth in placement and on aftercare

Source: South Dakota Juvenile Justice Public Safety Improvement Act 2016 Annual Report