

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Labuda

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Bill Status: House Judiciary

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TITLE: CONCERNING DETENTION PROCEDURES FOR JUVENILES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	See State Expenditures section.	
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

The bill instructs courts in juvenile cases to limit the premature waiver of counsel by juveniles in detention hearings and to ensure that such waivers are made knowingly and voluntarily by juveniles. Juveniles are required to be free of physical restraints during hearings, unless the judge makes specific findings of fact that restraints are required to maintain order, prevent escape, or provide for safety of the courtroom.

State Expenditures

The bill will increase the amount of time required for courts to conduct juvenile detention hearings, primarily for extra hearings and rulings concerning the use of physical restraints. However, any increase in workload is expected to be minimal and can be absorbed within existing appropriations to the Judicial Department.

Departments Contacted

Human Services

Judicial

Counties