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Juvenile Justice Record Information Systems

WHEREAS, Juvenile Justice Record Information Systems are an important criminal justice resource in light of the extent of juvenile crime, the serious nature of juvenile crime and chronically high recidivism rates;

WHEREAS, by comparison with the adult criminal record system, juvenile justice information systems remain in a developmental stage with respect to automation, telecommunications links, data quality and other material aspects of these systems;

WHEREAS, the linkage between adult and juvenile justice record systems and the usage of juvenile justice records outside of the juvenile justice system remains controversial;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention should undertake a comprehensive assessment of juvenile justice record information systems and adopt a plan for the development, improvement and funding of juvenile justice record systems.