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Re: Amendment to Regulations Governing Juvenile Detention Centers (6 VAC 35-101)

Dear Ms. Peterson:

I have reviewed the recent change to delete the word "written" in the above referenced proposed action amending the regulations governing juvenile detention centers, and I approve the regulation as being within the authority of the Board of Juvenile Justice to promulgate. Previously, this action was approved by this Office and the newest change, removing the word "written", does not change our position. Further, I find that this does not conflict with either state or federal law.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 786-8191.

Sincerely,

Diane M. Abato

Senior Assistant Attorney General/Chief Criminal Justice & Public Safety Division