How Michigan handles 17-year-old offenders

Current

Crime

Lower-level Offenders → District Court

* Probation
* Community Service
* Pay Fines/Costs

Higher-level Offenders → Circuit Court

* Jail
* HYTA
* Prison
* Blended
* 7411 Deferred Sentencing
* Delayed Sentence
* Alternative Incarceration

Proposed

Crime

Lower-level Offenders → CC Family Division

* Community-based

Higher-level Offenders → CC Family Division

* Private Residential Facility
* County Facility

Capacity Concerns

Space Concerns

Cost Concerns

Program Concerns

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CHANGE IN APPROACH MEANS CHANGE IN COMMITMENTS, RESOURCES

— Juvenile system requires higher standard of care

— Programs are more extensive, and more expensive

— Start-up funds for program expansion

— Lead time for scaling up programs, capacity

— Additional safety/security concerns with the commitment/placement of 17-year-olds in residential facilities

Headlee violation!

Zero-sum game*

***Without additional funding, other juveniles lose**