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S.F. No. 1972 – Prohibiting Certain Practices in Juvenile Detention Facilities

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Overview

The bill prohibits juvenile detention facilities from performing strip searches on juveniles and from using segregation as punishment for juveniles.

Summary

Sections 1 and 2 make conforming changes to use consistent terms in section 241.021.

Section 3 prohibits the commissioner of corrections from granting a license for operation of a facility for delinquent children unless the operator institutes a policy prohibiting strip searches or other visual inspections of breasts, buttocks, or genitalia of children and youth except during a health care procedure conducted by a medically licensed person.

Section 4 prohibits the commissioner of corrections from granting a license for the operation of a facility for delinquent children unless the operator institutes a policy prohibiting the use of disciplinary room time for youth received by the facility.