R.C. 181.26 – Additional duties of commission concerning juveniles

- (A) In addition to its duties set forth in sections 181.23 to 181.25 and 181.27 of the Revised Code, the state criminal sentencing commission shall do all of the following:
 - (1) Review all statutes governing delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions in this state;
 - (2) Review state and local resources, including facilities and programs, used for delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions and profile the populations of youthful offenders in the facilities and programs;
 - (3) Report to the general assembly no later than, a comprehensive plan containing recommendations based on the reviews required under divisions (A)(1) and (2) of this section. The recommendations shall do all of the following Develop a juvenile justice policy for the state. The policy shall be designed to:
 - (a) Assist in the managing of the number of persons in, <u>operation of</u>, and costs of, the facilities, the programs, and other resources used in delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions;
 - (b) Foster rehabilitation, public safety, sanctions, accountability, and other reasonable goals; Further the purposes for disposition under section 2152.01 of the Revised Code;
 - (c) Provide greater certainty, proportionality, uniformity, fairness, and simplicity in delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions while retaining reasonable judicial discretion;
 - (d) Provide for the restoration of victims of juvenile offenses.
- (B) The commission shall project the impact of the comprehensive plan recommended by the commission under this section on state and local resources used in delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions. The commission shall determine whether any additional facilities, programs, or other resources are needed to implement the comprehensive plan.
- (B)(C) If the general assembly enacts all or a substantial part of the comprehensive plan recommended by the commission under this section, the commission shall do all of the following:
 - (1) Assist in the implementation of the enacted plan statutes governing delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions in this state;
 - (2) Monitor the operation of the plan statutes governing delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions in this state, periodically report to the general assembly on the plan's statutes' operation and the plan's statutes' impact on resources used in delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions, and periodically recommend necessary changes in the plan statutes to the general assembly based on this monitoring in the biennial monitoring report described in section 181.25(A)(2) of the Revised Code;
 - (3) Review all bills that are introduced in the general assembly that relate to delinquent child, unruly child, and juvenile traffic offender dispositions, determine if those bills are consistent with the juvenile justice policy adopted under division (A)(3) of this section, recommend to the general assembly amendments to those bills if necessary, and assist the general assembly in making legislation consistent with the plan juvenile justice policy adopted under division (A)(3) of this section.