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Wisconsin's Juvenile Justice System

[Madison, Wis.] –Rep. Rob Hutton (R-Brookfield) recently submitted a request to the Joint Legislative Council for an interim study committee to review and recommend changes to the Wisconsin Juvenile Justice System.

“In light of the significant increase in Milwaukee incidence of violent crimes committed by juveniles, we need to review current intake practice and procedures associated with a more violent population,” stated Rep. Hutton. “We need to bring together experts from Milwaukee and around the state to review our juvenile system and to provide updates for more meaningful punitive and accountability measures. As elected officials, it is our responsibility to make sure the tax dollars we spend go toward making our communities safer and holding offenders accountable for their actions.”

The scope of the recommended committee is to study, review, and recommend improvements to our juvenile justice system that will more adequately support holding juveniles accountable for violent crimes against society, combined with more accountable juvenile support programs. Every other year, the Legislature’s Joint Legislative Council Committee takes recommendations for Legislative Council Summer Study Committees. The members of the committee decide by spring which committees will proceed. Legislative Council Study Committees consist of elected officials and members of the public representing various groups of experts.

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