

P.O. Box 8953 Madison, WI 53708

Office: (608) 267-7990 Toll-Free: (608) 534-0053 Rep.Schraa@legis.wi.gov

For Immediate Release Rep. Michael Schraa

April 8, 2022 (608) 267-7990

Replacing Lincoln Hills is becoming a Reality

(Madison, WI) Rep. Michael Schraa (R-Oshkosh) is pleased with the signing of Senate Bill 520. This bill funds the construction of a new juvenile correctional facility in Milwaukee County.

"The Legislature has worked hard to get us to this point. There have been disappointments and frustrations along the way, but we are finally seeing true progress."

Rep. Schraa serves as the Chair of the Assembly Committee on Corrections and was instrumental in the original bill to close Lincoln Hills as a juvenile prison and replace it with more evidence-based, treatment-focused facilities. He served on the Juvenile Corrections Study Committee which developed the Wisconsin Model for reforming juvenile justice.

"I want to thank everyone who was involved in making this bill law, moving forward Governor Walker's vision of a better juvenile justice system for Wisconsin youth. The sooner we get these kids out of Lincoln Hills, the brighter their future will be."