



FY2011 RECOMMENDATION/FY11-SO12 INFORMATION DOCUMENTS CREATED FOR REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS

Status: Implementation Unknown

Actions/Updates

2023 UPDATE (JUNE)

During the FY 2023 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 2023-158 to reauthorize the Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ) was postponed indefinitely on May 7, 2023. Therefore, with the sunset of the Commission, all activities of the CCJJ ceased on June 30, 2023.

No further monitoring of CCJJ recommendations will occur.

2014-2022 UPDATE

Status unknown.

2013 UPDATE

This recommendation has been intentionally delayed as a consequence of several pieces of substantive legislation (largely stemming from CCJJ recommendations) with respect to Colorado's sex offender registry in 2011, 2012, and one more that is anticipated in 2013.

Significant statutory changes over the last 2 years have included: (1; from FY12-SO01) the creation of a "lacks a fixed residence" status with special check-in duties and criminal penalties for those individuals who do not come within the definition of "residence" set forth in the registration statutes and a new requirement that local jurisdictions **must** register such individuals despite their lack of residence; (2; from FY11-SO04) a shift in the duty to deregister when a person leaves one Colorado address/jurisdiction for another Colorado location -- this responsibility has been given to local law enforcement while the registrant remains required to report to the new jurisdiction only; and (3; from FY11-SO01) the creation of a new statutorily-mandated "deregistration hearing" in which the court may consider relieving the registrant of his/her registration obligations at the conclusion of any juvenile sentence and any successfully completed deferred sentence.

This legislative session it is anticipated that a confusing provision concerning eligibility to petition to deregister following completion of a juvenile sentence will be clarified and corrected. It is our expectation that a fact sheet will be finalized and made available in 2013 once this juvenile legislative issue has been resolved.

2012 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION

Unknown

Description

The State Public Defender's Office should create informational documents for offenders on registration/re-registration and de-registration.

Agencies Responsible

State Public Defender's Office

Discussion

Many offenders are uninformed regarding requirements to register and eligibility to de-register. There are instructions on the state judicial web site but more substantive documentation and timely distribution of information with advice would be advantageous. This recommendation directs the Colorado State Public Defender's Office (SPDO) to prepare a registration and re-registration information fact sheet and a de-registration fact sheet that public defenders, local law enforcement and other law enforcement agencies can use to advise eligible persons on the registration, re-registration and deregistration processes. The SPDO should collaborate with relevant agencies and stakeholders and provide the documents to the Commission and the Sex Offender/Offense Task Force or any successor subcommittee for review prior to finalization.