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## **Following through with Closing Lincoln Hills** *Schraa Appointed to Juvenile Corrections Grant Committee*

(Madison, WI) Representative Michael Schraa (R-Oshkosh) was appointed to the committee that will oversee grants to county centers for youthful offenders.

Schraa, who chairs the Assembly Corrections Committee, has been instrumental in the bipartisan effort to design a uniquely Wisconsin approach to juvenile corrections. The landmark reforms will expand Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center and create more appropriate state-run facilities for the most serious juvenile offenders. Counties will run Secure Residential Care Centers for Children and Youth (SRCCCYs) for most youth with correctional orders from the court.

These SRCCCYs will be established for lower-level offenders who require out-of-home placement for public safety. "Offenders will be off the streets, but they will also receive evidence-based programming to help them get back on the right track," explained Schraa. "This makes Wisconsin safer for everyone in the short term and the long term."

"Closing Lincoln Hills is just part of the story. The Wisconsin Model will give every young person in Wisconsin the best chance for a bright future."

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