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## WASPC STATEMENT ON TRANSFER OF ADULT PRISONERS OUT OF STATE JUVENILE REHAB FACILITIES

(Lacey, WA) --- The Washington Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs (WASPC) appreciates the Washington Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) has taken decisive action to transfer over 21-year-old convicted adults in juvenile rehabilitation facilities to the Washington Department of Corrections (DOC). While DCYF will continue to suspend transfers of convicted juvenile offenders to state facilities, it is a good first step. County and local facilities continue to house the offenders due to be placed in state facilities, so we encourage the state to work to find constructive solutions as soon as possible.