TO: Ohio Criminal Sentencing Commission

FROM: Juvenile Justice Committee

DATE: August 24, 2017

RE: Proposed amendment to R.C. 2152.19

At its meeting on August 17, 2017, the Juvenile Justice committee approved the attached language unanimously. The language would clarify that a driver's license suspension is one option in community control (probation) for juveniles but not mandatory. During the committee's investigation into probation practices in Ohio, anecdotal evidence arose that some juvenile courts believe that use of the word "includes" in RC 2152.19(D)(4) regarding conditions of community control currently means that a driver's license suspension is mandatory. Committee members did not believe this to be true and did not read the current language to require the suspension; however, in an abundance of caution, the committee approved the attached language.

Committee member, Rep. Rezabek, indicated to the committee that the language is already in the drafting stages in the General Assembly and will likely be introduced as an amendment to another, yet to be determined, piece of legislation. The committee seeks the approval of the full Commission on the language.

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2152.19 Disposition orders.

[Existing language unaffected by the amendments is omitted to conserve space]

- (4) Place the child on community control under any sanctions, services, and conditions that the court prescribes. As a condition of community control in every case and in addition to any other condition that it imposes upon the child, the court shall require the child to abide by the law during the period of community control. As referred to in this division, community control includes may include, but is not limited to, the following sanctions and conditions:
- (a) A period of basic probation supervision in which the child is required to maintain contact with a person appointed to supervise the child in accordance with sanctions imposed by the court;
- (b) A period of intensive probation supervision in which the child is required to maintain frequent contact with a person appointed by the court to supervise the child while the child is seeking or maintaining employment and participating in training, education, and treatment programs as the order of disposition;
- (c) A period of day reporting in which the child is required each day to report to and leave a center or another approved reporting location at specified times in order to participate in work, education or training, treatment, and other approved programs at the center or outside the center;
- (d) A period of community service of up to five hundred hours for an act that would be a felony or a misdemeanor of the first degree if committed by an adult, up to two hundred hours for an act that would be a misdemeanor of the second, third, or fourth degree if committed by an adult, or up to thirty hours for an act that would be a minor misdemeanor if committed by an adult;
- (e) A requirement that the child obtain a high school diploma, a certificate of high school equivalence, vocational training, or employment;
- (f) A period of drug and alcohol use monitoring;
- (g) A requirement of alcohol or drug assessment or counseling, or a period in an alcohol or drug treatment program with a level of security for the child as determined necessary by the court;

- (h) A period in which the court orders the child to observe a curfew that may involve daytime or evening hours;
- (i) A requirement that the child serve monitored time;
- (j) A period of house arrest without electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring;
- (k) A period of electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring without house arrest, or house arrest with electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring or both electronic monitoring and continuous alcohol monitoring, that does not exceed the maximum sentence of imprisonment that could be imposed upon an adult who commits the same act.

A period of house arrest with electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring or both electronic monitoring and continuous alcohol monitoring, imposed under this division shall not extend beyond the child's twenty-first birthday. If a court imposes a period of house arrest with electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring or both electronic monitoring and continuous alcohol monitoring, upon a child under this division, it shall require the child: to remain in the child's home or other specified premises for the entire period of house arrest with electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring or both except when the court permits the child to leave those premises to go to school or to other specified premises. Regarding electronic monitoring, the court also shall require the child to be monitored by a central system that can determine the child's location at designated times; to report periodically to a person designated by the court; and to enter into a written contract with the court agreeing to comply with all requirements imposed by the court, agreeing to pay any fee imposed by the court for the costs of the house arrest with electronic monitoring, and agreeing to waive the right to receive credit for any time served on house arrest with electronic monitoring toward the period of any other dispositional order imposed upon the child if the child violates any of the requirements of the dispositional order of house arrest with electronic monitoring. The court also may impose other reasonable requirements upon the child.

Unless ordered by the court, a child shall not receive credit for any time served on house arrest with electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring or both toward any other dispositional order imposed upon the child for the act for which was imposed the dispositional order of house arrest with electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring. As used in this division and division (A)(4)(I) of this section, "continuous alcohol monitoring" has the same meaning as in section 2929.01 of the Revised Code.



(I) A suspension of the driver's license, probationary driver's license, or temporary instruction permit issued to the child for a period of time prescribed by the court, or a suspension of the registration of all motor vehicles registered in the name of the child for a period of time prescribed by the court. A child whose license or permit is so suspended is ineligible for issuance of a license or permit during the period of suspension. At the end of the period of suspension, the child shall not be reissued a license or permit until the child has paid any applicable reinstatement fee and complied with all requirements governing license reinstatement.
