

**PUBLIC SAFETY
&
DOMESTIC SECURITY POLICY
COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
404 HOB**

ACTION PACKET

Larry Cretul
Speaker

Kevin C. Ambler
Chair

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT
Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee
1/21/2010 10:00:00AM

Location: 404 HOB

Summary:

Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee

Thursday January 21, 2010 10:00 am

HB 23 Temporarily Deferred

HB 183 Favorable Yeas: 12 Nays: 0

HB 203 Favorable Yeas: 12 Nays: 0

HB 369 Favorable Yeas: 11 Nays: 0

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Attendance:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Kevin Ambler (Chair)	X		
Sandra Adams	X		
Mackenson Bernard	X		
Brad Drake	X		
Greg Evers	X		
Luis Garcia	X		
Bill Heller	X		
Doug Holder			X
Ed Hooper	X		
Lake Ray	X		
Julio Robaina			X
Darryl Rouson	X		
Kelli Stargel	X		
James Waldman	X		
Totals:	12	0	2

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HB 23 : Parole for Adolescent Offenders

Temporarily Deferred

Appearances:

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Tommy Maggitas (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Information Only
Dept. of Corrections, Legislative Affairs
2601 Blair Stone Rd
Tallahassee Fl 32399
Phone: 850-488-7436

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Fred Dunphy, Chair (Lobbyist) - Proponent
Florida Parole Commission
2601 Blair Stone Rd., Bldg. C
Tallahassee Fl 32399
Phone: 850-445-7395

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Professor Paolo Annino (General Public) - Proponent
FSU College of Law, Public Interest Law Center
Tallahassee Fl 32306
Phone: 850-644-9930

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Mike Olenick, Attorney (General Public) - Proponent
Pro Bono - FSU
204 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee Fl
Phone: 850-224-0777

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Brittany Black, Law Student (General Public) - Proponent
FSU Public Interest Law Center
1008-2 Holland Drive
Tallahassee Fl 32301
Phone: 850-832-9965

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Frank Messersmith (Lobbyist) - Information Only
Florida Sheriffs Association
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HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
Robert Trammell (Lobbyist) - Proponent
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Second Chance for Children in Prison Act

Representative Michael B. "Mike" Weinstein
HB 23

Senator Arthenia L. Joyner
SB 184

Facts:

- 535 children (age 15 and younger at time of crime) are serving adult sentences of 10 years or more in Florida's adult prisons. 105 of these children are serving life sentences without the possibility of parole.
- Children are NOT adults and can be rehabilitated. Science shows the brain is still developing, making children less able than adults to resist impulse behavior. *ABA accepted findings from UCLA, Harvard, and National Institute on Medical Health researchers.*
- The U.S. Supreme Court in 2005 described juveniles as "categorically less culpable than the average criminal." *Roper v. Simmons*, 125 S.Ct. 1183.

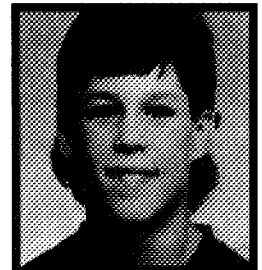
Purpose:

- **This Act brings back the OPPORTUNITY for the POSSIBILITY of parole for a select group of inmates sentenced as children and provides the opportunity for rehabilitation.**

Eligibility:

- Must have been age 15 or younger at the time of the offense
- No prior violent criminal record
- Must be sentenced to more than 10 years
- Must be incarcerated a minimum of 8 years

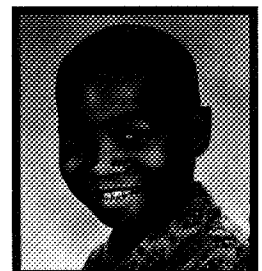
Timothy Kane
Received 2 Life Sentences



Accountability Requirements:

- Must be determined to be rehabilitated by the Florida Parole Commission
- 2 years with NO disciplinary reports
- Successful completion of G.E.D. and other education and self-rehabilitation programs
- Requires inmates to participate in available 2 year re-entry program after release

Kenneth Young
Received 4 Consecutive Life Sentences



See the Back of this Page for a List of Supporters!

The Second Chance for Children in Prison Act is Supported By:

Governor's Blueprint Commission on Juvenile Justice

Florida Catholic Conference

Mothers Against Murderers Association (MAMA)

Florida Pediatric Society

The Gainesville Sun

St. Petersburg Times

The Ledger – Lakeland, FL

The Sarasota Herald Tribune

Florida CURE

The Campaign for the Fair Sentencing of Youth

Campaign for Youth Justice

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HB 183 : Special Organized Crime Investigators

Favorable

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Sandra Adams	X				
Mackenson Bernard	X				
Brad Drake	X				
Greg Evers	X				
Luis Garcia	X				
Bill Heller	X				
Doug Holder			X		
Ed Hooper	X				
Lake Ray	X				
Julio Robaina			X		
Darryl Rouson	X				
Kelli Stargel	X				
James Waldman	X				
Kevin Ambler (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 12		Total Nays: 0			

Appearances:

HB 183 Special Organized Crime Investigators by Pafford
 Jeanne D. Howard, Chief Assistant State Attorney (Lobbyist) - Proponent
 State Attorney Office
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HB 203 : Community Corrections Assistance to Counties or County Consortiums

Favorable

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No .Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Sandra Adams	X				
Mackenson Bernard	X				
Brad Drake	X				
Greg Evers	X				
Luis Garcia	X				
Bill Heller	X				
Doug Holder			X		
Ed Hooper	X				
Lake Ray	X				
Julio Robaina			X		
Darryl Rouson	X				
Kelli Stargel	X				
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HB 369 : Murder

Favorable

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Sandra Adams	X				
Mackenson Bernard	X				
Brad Drake	X				
Greg Evers	X				
Luis Garcia	X				
Bill Heller	X				
Doug Holder			X		
Ed Hooper	X				
Lake Ray	X				
Julio Robaina			X		
Darryl Rouson				X	
Kelli Stargel	X				
James Waldman	X				
Kevin Ambler (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 11 Total Nays: 0					

Appearances:

HB 369 Murder by Snyder
 Robert Trammel (Lobbyist) - Opponent
 General Counsel Public Defenders Association
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 Tallahassee FL 32302
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