

(c) Beginning in 2003, on or before November 30 of each year, the Office shall report to the Special Secretary, the Secretary, the advisory boards established under Article 83C, § 2-119 of the Code, the Governor, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on all the activities of the Office and the actions taken by the Department in response to findings and recommendations of the Independent Monitor.]

Article 83C - Juvenile Services

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(d) (1) The Department shall adopt a policy for addressing disciplinary actions and grievances within its facilities.

(2) The policy shall:

(i) Require preparation of a written report of any disciplinary action taken against a child or any grievance which shall be forwarded to the administrative head of the facility;

(ii) Require the administrative head of each facility to review all reports of disciplinary actions and grievances; and

(iii) Require the Department to forward in a timely manner all reports of disciplinary actions, grievances, and grievance dispositions from each facility to the [Office of the Independent Juvenile Justice Monitor under Article 49D of the Code] JUVENILE JUSTICE MONITORING UNIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 6, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(g) The Department shall cooperate with the [Office of the Independent Juvenile Justice Monitor established under Article 49D of the Code] JUVENILE JUSTICE MONITORING UNIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 6, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE by:

(1) Providing the [Office] UNIT with access to all facilities, reports, and records relating to individual youth upon request;

(2) Allowing the [independent] juvenile justice monitors to conduct interviews with staff, youth, and any other individuals upon request; and

(3) Submitting corrective action plans and incident reports to the [Office] UNIT in response to findings and recommendations made by the [independent] juvenile justice monitors regarding a facility.

(h) (1) The Department shall respond to requests for information pertaining to a facility from [an independent] A juvenile justice monitor within 30 days of the date of the request.

(2) If the Department does not respond to a request for information, the monitor may conduct a reasonable investigation relating to the original request for information.