

## Testimony Against SB0737

Honorable Senators

Please enter an unfavorable decision about SB0737, the so-called Parent Accountability Act.

I am opposed to

- **Requiring** the juvenile court to order **certain probation** for a child found to have committed certain delinquent acts **more than once** or adjudicated to be a child in need of supervision **more than once** because of **habitual truancy**;
- **Requiring probation** of a child adjudged delinquent for certain acts or a child in need of supervision to include the adoption of a treatment service plan and **providing the child and the child's family with certain services**.

I am perplexed by the title of this bill as the synopsis does not state what actions the parents would be required to do should these repeat offenders not change their ways.

Perhaps this bill should be entitled the Juvenile Repeat Offender Coddling Act, as I see no punishment of the juvenile and no consequences if the parents or those acting in the parental role fail to keep these youths from breaking the law again. It seems that if the child misbehaves, those adults who should be made accountable will just receive more services.

Please enter an unfavorable decision about SB0737.

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