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Prohibiting Detention of Youth Status Offenders Act of 2017

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Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	R · KY		Apr 6, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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## **Prohibiting Detention of Youth Status Offenders Act of 2017**

This bill amends the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to modify the deinstitutionalization of status offenders (DSO) core requirement with which a state must comply to receive funds under the Formula Grant Program. The DSO core requirement prohibits the secure detention or confinement of a juvenile who commits a status offense (i.e., an offense that would not be a crime if committed by an adult).

This bill eliminates an exception to the DSO core requirement that permits the secure detention or confinement of an out-of-state runaway youth.

It also eliminates, not later than one year after enactment, an exception to the DSO core requirement that permits the secure detention or confinement of a juvenile status offender who violates a valid court order. Until then, use of the valid court order exception to securely detain or confine a juvenile status offender must comply with additional requirements, such as issuance of a written court order, a three-day maximum length of detention, and a plan for release.

## **Actions Timeline**

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