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MEMORANDUM

TO: DJJ Staff

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Commissioner

RE: DJJ 3.14, Political Activity
DJJ 3.28, Injury in the Line of Duty
DJJ 13.10, Curriculum

DJJ 3.14, Political Activity, states that the Department of Juvenile Justice shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and rules that protect Department employees from undue political pressure, influence or coercion. This policy replaces the existing DJJ 3.14, Political Activity. The policy does not require local operating procedures. The following changes were made:

- An employee may offer for and hold any elective or appointive office of a political subdivision of the state, political party, or political organization provided that the office is not full-time, does not conflict with the performance of the employee's official duties, and is not otherwise prohibited by law. (See Section D.)
- Section L. provides guidelines on the political activities that are prohibited.

DJJ 3.28, Injury in the Line of Duty, states that any full-time employee who becomes physically disabled as a result of a physical injury incurred in the line of duty and caused by a willful act of violence committed by a person other than a fellow employee shall be entitled to receive compensation as provided for under state law. This policy replaces the existing DJJ 3.28, Injury in the Line of Duty. The policy does not require local operating procedures. The following changes were made:

- The employee is not required to be the target of the willful act of violence, but will be considered "injured in the line of duty" if the willful act of violence results in a loss of work time. (See Definitions)
- Leave granted under this policy will not exceed 180 working days for any single incident. (See Section A.)
- The Department will adjust the employee's current or future compensation to account for any underpayments/overpayments that might occur during the period of eligibility. (See Section I.)
- An employee who remains physically disabled after 180 work days will no longer be eligible for injury in the line of duty benefits for that incident. Regular workers' compensation benefits will then apply. The employee must submit a request for continued absence to the local human resources representative and submit a Workers' Compensation Payment Selection/Leave form. (See Section L.)

DJJ 13.10, Curriculum, states that the Department of Juvenile Justice shall utilize a curriculum that meets the requirements of the Standards for Georgia Public Schools and the rules and regulations of the State Board of

Education for the provision of regular, special, and vocational education. This policy replaces the existing DJJ 13.10, Curriculum. The policy does not require local operating procedures. The following change was made:

- A student who has been detained in the RYDC longer than 6 Months may participate in the GED program as long as he/she meets other GED admission requirements. (See Section G.7.)

INSTRUCTIONS:

DJJ Policy Manual

Remove the following policies from the policy manual

- DJJ 3.14, Political Activity
- DJJ 3.28, Injury in the Line of Duty
- DJJ 13.10, Curriculum

Place the following new policies in the policy manual

- DJJ 3.14, Political Activity
- DJJ 3.28, Injury in the Line of Duty
- DJJ 13.10, Curriculum

Make the proper notations