PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD MAY 2015 MEETING

Meeting. The Public Safety Advisory Board (PSAB) met May 13, 2015, at the Iowa Utilities Board Building in Des Moines. The Board:

- Reviewed the proposed contents of its annual report to the Governor and General Assembly.
- Discussed the crime of human trafficking in Iowa. Iowa Code chapter 710A was first enacted in 2006. There was one conviction between 2006 and 2014 – in FY 2011. Cases may be under-reported or may be transferred to federal jurisdiction. Offenders may be charged with other crimes with more severe penalties. The PSAB supports education of law enforcement and county attorneys in recognizing the crime. The PSAB also supports the use of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning Division (CJJPD) staff time to conduct research into this issue.
- Identified legislation of interest to the Board, including domestic violence, assault, marijuana, weapons, human trafficking, kidnapping, and violent habitual offenders.
- Discussed Results First, Return On Investment, and the Standardized Program Evaluation Protocol. Division Administrator Steve Michael referred to a proposal to merge the two research models to improve efficiencies within Iowa’s criminal and juvenile justice systems. The CJJPD indicated the cost to conduct the research and support the use of the models is an estimated $238,000 annually.

Next Meeting. The PSAB is scheduled to meet September 16, 2015.

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