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To members of the committee - Youth Justice and Other Legislation Amendment Bill.

I would like to tender my submission, apologies for it's lateness one was admitted to emergency surgery last week, therefore one was unable to submit it on time.

I would like to raise the below pertaining to the suggested amendments and have my requests tabled.

Things to raised before the committee shall be-

1. Trial a third option for the courts, in the form of relocation sentencing, as a deterrent and to facilitate the rehabilitation of youth offenders.
2. Include a presumption against bail for youths charged with the unlawful use of a motor vehicle, in addition to the government announced, breaking and entering, serious sexual assault and armed robbery charges.
3. Amend legislation to re-introduce breach of bail as an offence for repeat youth offenders.
4. Ensure that courts are adequately resourced so that youth offenders are dealt in an expeditious manner, so that delay in judicial processes are not used as a reason for youth offenders to be granted bail.
5. Repeal Schedule 1, Youth Justice Act 2015, Charter of Youth Justice, Item 18 which provides that a child should be detained in custody for an offence, whether on arrest, remand or sentence, only as a last resort and for the least time that is justified in the circumstances.
6. Reduced age in the tracking bracelets as the majority of the said recidivist 10% are under the age of 16yrs old. If their willing to commit these premeditated crimes, they shall be willing to suffer the consequences thus the breach of bail as an offence and the attachment of the tracking devices.
7. Unauthorised removal of such tracking device shall be a mandatory detention of the maximum penalty available, as this unauthorised removal stands to prove their lack of regard to the system and the community the system should be protecting.

One hopes you'll see fit to accept my submission albeit late, as explained above I was incapacitated, due to emergency surgery.

Regards,

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