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**Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center:** The JCF provided $43,994,000 of general fund supported borrowing for the project enumerated in the 2017-19 building program. The project will expand the existing MJTC facility by constructing a new secure treatment facility and attaching it to the existing MJTC. The new facility will contain two units for 30 male and two units for 20 female youth.

**Secured Residential Care Centers for Children and Youth:** The JCF transferred bonding authorized in 2017 Wisconsin Act 185 for Corrections ($25 million) and Health Services ($15 million) to the bonding authorized for SRCCCYs. Bonding for SRCCCYs would increase from $40 million to $80 million under this provision. No bonding authority is provided for the state’s Type 1 facilities.

**Act 185:** The JCF took no action on the governor’s recommendations with regard to the termination of the study committee, the makeup of the grant committee, approval of individual grants, or the closure date of Lincoln Hills/Copper Lake. That means those items are removed from the budget.

**ADP at Juvenile Correctional Institutions:** The JCF re-estimated the average daily population for the state’s JCIs at 169 in both years of the biennium.

Note: The Legislative Fiscal Bureau noted that the YTD ending cash balance for the state’s juvenile correctional facilities is -$8,143,100. The ending cash balance for FY18 was -$7,036,900.

**Daily Rates:** The JCF set the following daily rates for the state’s juvenile correctional facilities:
- FY20 - $532
- July 2020 through December 2020 - $550
- January 2021 through June 2021 - $615

**SRCCCY Start-up Costs:** The JCF removed from the budget the $3.5 million the governor recommended to reimburse counties for SRCCCY start-up costs.

**Youth Aids:** The JCF modified the annual amount allocated for youth aids in the statutes to $90,767,200.

**Youth Aids Staffing and Training:** The JCF provided $274,100 in FY20 and $299,900 in FY21 to provide training, performance monitoring, data collection, data analysis, and to establish standards of practice for the youth justice system. Funding will be used for one state position, as well as to fund a contract with an external vendor for training county staff and to implement a validated risk/needs assessment tool to assist counties to assess each youth as part of the intake and referral process.
**17-Year-Olds:** The JCF removed provisions from the budget, along with associated funding, related to the return of 17-year-olds to the youth justice system.