



UTEC

BREAKING BARRIERS TO YOUTH SUCCESS

POLICY PLATFORM

2017-18 Legislative and Budget Priorities



Re-thinking Justice for Young Adults



Ending Generational Violence and Poverty

Young Adult Justice Reform

Expungement: Creating a new law that would allow for young adults and juveniles to seal and expunge criminal records to remove barriers to employment, education, housing and other opportunities proven to reduce recidivism.

S.944, H.2309 "An Act relative to sealing of juvenile records and expungement of court records" Sen. K. Spilka, Rep K. Khan, Rep C. Dykema

Raise The Age: Increase juvenile jurisdiction from 18 to 21 and support programs specialized programs like Young-Adult (18-24) Units.

H.3037 "An Act to promote better outcomes for young people in the Commonwealth" -Rep E. Carvalho

Budget Priorities:

Safe And Successful Youth Initiative (4000-0005)

Re-entry Grants (7003-0150)

Youth At-Risk Grants (4590-1507)

Justice Reinvestment (1599-1500)

Two-Generational Strategy

Two-Gen Commission: Study the best ways MA can adopt a two-gen strategy for policies, programs, and research. Two-gen means the successful reduction of poverty for multiple generations simultaneously.

S.38, H.1969 "An Act establishing a special commission on two-generation approaches to childhood education" Sen J. Eldridge, Rep S. Ultrino

Budget Priorities:

Family Mentoring Pilot (3000-7020)

Learn to Earn (7002-1080)

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