

## Carter Revives Plan to Baffle Juvenile Crime

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Racine, Wis. — The Carter administration has given a boost to implementation of the 1974 juvenile crime prevention act that the Ford administration had tried to kill, a lawyer who helped write the act said here Thursday.

John Rector, chief counsel to the US Senate subcommittee investigating juvenile delinquency, said top Carter officials, including Atty. Gen. Griffin Bell, said the act will have top priority.

The act was a major revision of juvenile justice procedures. It mandated the separation of juvenile offenders from adult criminals in correctional institutions. It also removed juveniles convicted for such crimes as truancy or running away from home from being detained in correctional institutions.

Congress overrode a Ford recommendation that no money be appropriated for implementing the act, and allocated \$75 million for the 1977 fiscal year.

Rector said that the act will provide money for state subsidies of local juvenile crime prevention programs.

Rector's comments came during a national conference on juvenile crime prevention in the Wingspread Conference Center near here.

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## Crime Plan Puts Stress On Juveniles

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Washington — Stepping up the federal attack on juvenile delinquency and cutting back a Ford administration gun control program emerged Tuesday as new directions planned by the Carter administration in the war on crime.

President Carter's revised fiscal 1978 budget included \$3.9 billion for law enforcement and justice programs — \$73 million more than former President Ford proposed.

The Carter budget called for more than doubling spending for juvenile justice and delinquency prevention efforts — from \$30 million to \$75 million.

The Ford administration had not been receptive to efforts by Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., chairman of a Senate Judiciary subcommittee on juvenile delinquency, to increase spending for the antidelinquency drive.

However, it was learned Tuesday that John Rector, chief counsel of Bayh's subcommittee, will be named by Carter to head the federal juvenile delinquency program.

Rector, who will be named assistant administrator of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration in charge of the juvenile justice office, said Tuesday the increased funding marked "a clear change in policy."

Carter and Atty. Gen. Griffin Bell have been critical of LEAA programs' results. Their doubts are expected to be reflected in a clean sweep of LEAA management due to be announced shortly.

The Carter budget also revealed a decision to deny a \$12 million request for stationing more Treasury agents in the nation's 10 largest cities to curtail illegal traffic in firearms.

It could not be learned whether the denial signaled a reversal of the Ford administration's policy to improve enforcement of present gun control laws in-