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RE: IDJJ Single Use Plastic Reporting Act

In accordance with 30 ILCS 567/10 (a), the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) is required to report on our purchases of single-use plastic disposable foodware and to begin setting goals on eliminating the use of single-use plastic foodware. DJJ began tracking single-use plastic disposable foodware purchases, as defined in 30 ILCS 567/5, under \$2,000 that do not go through BidBuy, since July 1, 2024.

In Fiscal Year 2025, DJJ tracked a total of \$9,414.99 in single-use plastic in our youth centers for our youth in our care. These purchases included, but not limited to, foam cups, foam compartment trays, parchment paper, plastic bags, sporks, soup spoons, and soup cups with lids. While the Department is committed to tracking and working towards the elimination of single-use plastic foodware, we cannot completely move away from single-use disposable foodware for security reasons in our youth centers.

We are open to discussion on best practices given our circumstances and welcome any advice or additional ideas for ensuring the elimination in our youth centers.

Sincerely,

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