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Chapter 1 : Children's Rights (Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)

Juveniles should not be tried in adult courts / Hannah McCrea -- Juveniles should be tried as adults in certain circumstances / Mary Onelia Estudillo -- The death penalty for minors should be considered on a case-by-case basis / Dan Cutrer -- The death penalty should never be considered for minors.

Youth rights "In the majority of jurisdictions, for instance, children are not allowed to vote, to marry, to buy alcohol, to have sex, or to engage in paid employment. Parental powers See also: Particular issues in the child-parent relationship include child neglect , child abuse , freedom of choice , corporal punishment and child custody. Some governments have enacted laws creating a rebuttable presumption that shared parenting is in the best interests of children. Parents are subject to criminal laws against abandonment, abuse, and neglect of children. In the absence of duty, no parental right exists. Even , that parents may not grant surrogate consent for non-therapeutic sterilization. A number of current and historical documents affect those rights, including the Declaration of the Rights of the Child , [11] drafted by Eglantyne Jebb in , endorsed by the League of Nations in and reaffirmed in A slightly expanded version was adopted by the United Nations in , followed by a much expanded version adopted by the General Assembly in It later served as the basis for the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The ICCPR is a multilateral international covenant that has been ratified or acceded to by nearly all nations on Earth. Nations which have become state-parties to the Covenant are required to honor and enforce the rights enunciated by the Covenant. The treaty came into effect on 23 March The rights codified by the ICCPR are universal, so they apply to everyone without exception and this includes children. Although children have all rights, some rights such as the right to marry and the right to vote come into effect only after the child reaches maturity. Its implementation is monitored by the Committee on the Rights of the Child. And calls on States to integrate the Convention on the Rights of the Child into their national action plans. By means of these national action plans and through international efforts, particular priority should be placed on reducing infant and maternal mortality rates, reducing malnutrition and illiteracy rates and providing access to safe drinking water and basic education. Whenever so called for, national plans of action should be devised to combat devastating emergencies resulting from natural disasters and armed conflicts and the equally grave problem of children in extreme poverty. Further, para 48 urges all states, with the support of international cooperation, to address the acute problem of children under especially difficult circumstances. Exploitation and abuse of children should be actively combated, including by addressing their root causes. Effective measures are required against female infanticide , harmful child labour , sale of children and organs, child prostitution , child pornography , and other forms of sexual abuse. It was set up to promote full implementation and compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and to ensure that child rights were given priority during the UN General Assembly Special Session on Children and its Preparatory process. The United Nations Human Rights Council was created "with the hope that it could be more objective, credible and efficient in denouncing human rights violations worldwide than the highly politicized Commission on Human Rights. United States law Further information: Children are generally afforded the basic rights embodied by the Constitution, as enshrined by the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution. The Equal Protection Clause of that amendment is to apply to children, born within a marriage or not, but excludes children not yet born. In this trial year-old Gerald Gault of Arizona was taken into custody by local police after being accused of making an obscene telephone call. He was detained and committed to the Arizona State Industrial School until he reached the age of 21 for making an obscene phone call to an adult neighbor. In an 8â€”1 decision, the Court ruled that in hearings which could result in commitment to an institution, people under the age of 18 have the right to notice and counsel, to question witnesses, and to protection against self-incrimination. Simmons that persons may not be executed for crimes committed when below the age of eighteen. It ruled that such executions are cruel and unusual punishment , so they are a violation of the Eighth Amendment to the United States Constitution. Of particular concern is the German and

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Austrian agency, Jugendamt German: The problem is complicated by the nearly "unlimited power" of the Jugendamt officers, with no processes to review or resolve inappropriate or harmful treatment. By German law, Jugendamt officers are protected against prosecution. Officers have also disregarded family court decisions, such as when to return children to their parents, without repercussions. Germany has not recognized related child-welfare decisions made by the European Parliamentary Court that have sought to protect or resolve children and parental rights violations.

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While juveniles can commit the same acts as adults, by virtue of their immaturity they are not as blameworthy or culpable. At the same time, their age and level of development make them uniquely.

May 7, 1: I am writing on behalf of Human Rights Watch to urge your support for H. This legislation addresses fundamental problems in the sentencing of juveniles to life without parole in the United States, a practice that violates international law, is plagued by racial disparities, and is inappropriately applied to youthful offenders. Human Rights Watch has investigated the use of life without parole for youth throughout the United States since We have found that while there are at least 2, people who were convicted of crimes committed as children sentenced to life without parole in the United States, there is not a single individual serving this sentence in the rest of the world. Based on our research, we support the passage of H. First, the sentence of life without parole was created for the worst criminal offenders. But Human Rights Watch estimates that 59 percent of the youth serving life without parole in the United States received this sentence for their very first offense-they had no prior criminal convictions whatsoever, arising from either juvenile or adult courts. Our research has also found that approximately 26 percent of the youth sentenced to life without parole had not actually committed a murder and were convicted for their role in aiding and abetting or participating in a felony. In these cases, someone else was the primary actor in committing the crime. Recent developments in neuroscience support the view that life without parole is not an appropriate sentence for juveniles. Their brains are anatomically different, still evolving into the brains of adults. While juveniles can commit the same acts as adults, by virtue of their immaturity they are not as blameworthy or culpable. At the same time, their age and level of development make them uniquely amenable to rehabilitation compared to adults. For these reasons, it is singularly inappropriate to sentence juveniles to die in prison without any opportunity for rehabilitation. Second, we have serious concerns that racial discrimination and disparities plague the sentencing of youth to life without parole throughout the United States. On average across the country, black youth are serving life without parole at a per capita rate that is 10 times that of white youth. Many states have racial disparities that are far greater. Among the 26 states with five or more youth offenders serving life without parole for which we have race data, the highest black-to-white ratios are in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and California, where black youth are between 18 and 48 times more likely to be serving a sentence of life without parole than white youth. Finally, we support H. International law prohibits life without parole sentences for those who commit their crimes before the age of 18, a prohibition that is universally applied outside of the United States. Oversight and enforcement bodies for two treaties to which the United States is a party the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination have found the practice of sentencing juvenile offenders to life without parole to be a clear violation of US treaty obligations. The Juvenile Justice Accountability and Improvement Act of provides a measured approach to juveniles sentenced to life without parole. It would end such sentencing for juveniles charged with federal crimes, and would give incentives to individual states to provide meaningful access to parole hearings or other review for youth offenders who have served at least 15 years of their sentence. However, the bill also reflects the reality that children are different from adults, and the punishment imposed for their offenses should reflect their age and level of development. By providing the opportunity for parole hearings or other review, the bill gives youth an incentive to work toward rehabilitation in prison. Such reviews would also provide a necessary opportunity for victims and their families to be heard. It would recognize that youth are different from adults and provide incentives for rehabilitation that reflect their unique ability to change. Human Rights Watch urges you to support this bill. Fathi Director, US Program Your tax deductible gift can help stop human rights violations and save lives around the world.

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Chapter 3 : States Retreat From Laws That Prosecute Children as Adults | Equal Justice Initiative

Dear Renan Calheiros, Andre Moura, and Laerte Bessa, I am writing to share Human Rights Watch's serious concerns regarding the proposed constitutional amendment that would lower the age of.

In Wisconsin, however, any juvenile over the age of 10 who is charged with homicide or attempted homicide will be automatically tried as adults, which makes the debate moot and academic. Here is a list of certain points you should consider regarding this issue. If they are convicted as juveniles, they would gain freedom from the system at age 18. If the girls are tried in an adult court and found guilty, they could be in prison for the next 65 years. They would first serve their prison term in a juvenile facility, and then transferred to an adult prison at the age of 18, which leaves plenty of room for the girls to become targets of abuse. So the big question now is should we show sympathy for the girls or the victim? Should their punishment be reduced even if the crime they committed is something only adults are supposed to be capable of doing? Is it okay to accept the argument that they are unaware of the gravity of the crime at the time that they committed it? Juvenile crimes on the rise are not something society should ignore. But those who oppose trying juveniles in an adult court argue that it does not benefit the suspect or the society, if they are punished the same way as adults. For a juvenile case to be transferred to an adult criminal court, it has to be eligible for a waiver. That is, the judge waives any protection that a juvenile court provides to a minor offender, treating him as an adult that should be punished accordingly. Now the waiver can be granted if the case meets the following factors: The minor is older. The charge is a particularly serious offense. Lengthy juvenile record already exists. Any rehabilitation efforts in the past have been unsuccessful. Youth services required to help the minor would be lengthy. Whether or not you agree to invoke the waiver petition depends on which side of the fence you are on. But the fact remains that trying minors as adults has its share of pros and cons. Deter and minimize crimes committed by minors There is no denying that crimes committed by minors are on the rise. Based on the violent crime index, aggravated assault has the highest number of arrests, followed by robbery, forcible rape, and murder and non-negligent manslaughter. If these offenders will be tried as adults and punished to the full extent of the law, they would probably think twice about committing a crime or violating the law. Brings justice to the victims Some offenses may be forgivable, but not for extreme crimes similar to what the Wisconsin girls committed. Taking a life is murder regardless of the age of the offender, and the penalties to be imposed must not discriminate. It is only right that justice is served accordingly, so that the victims and their families will also feel a sense of justice. Correct a case of blind justice One of the problems in juvenile courts is that they have a tendency to focus on the age of the suspect and not on the criminal act and the reason that it was committed. Even when a minor shows no remorse for the crime committed, the court still has the tendency to exercise leniency. When he is released at age 25, what are the odds that he would become a full-fledge adult criminal? Trial by jury In a juvenile court, the judge makes all the decisions. But if minors are tried in an adult court, there will be a jury that will help decide whether or not they are guilty. So their fate falls in the hands of a group of individuals and not just a single person. Minors will be put at risk Similar to the concern of the lawyer and families of the Wisconsin girls, young offenders are at risk of being sent to an adult correctional facility if they are tried in an adult court. Imagine what would become of these young individuals when mixed with adult prisoners with horrific criminal records. How will these minors handle different situations in an adult prison? Give the impression of lost hope Some opponents argue that not all young offenders end up as full-fledged criminals. So throwing them in jail with adult offenders would take away any hope of rehabilitation. There is even a high probability that they would come out of prison a hardened criminal. Their inability to consistently make responsible decisions makes them less blameworthy than adults. Fewer varieties of punishment In an adult court, criminals can only end up in prison, and even risk being given the death penalty. This gives minor offenders very little option when serving the terms of their sentence. Whereas in a juvenile court, offenders are given curfews, put under house arrest or sent to

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counseling. The problem with these punishments, however, is that they effectively take away a valuable lesson that a juvenile is supposed to learn while serving the terms of his sentence. Now, if he was in jail, he is likely to regret the choices he made.

Chapter 4 : Brazil: Reject Move to Try Children as Adults | Human Rights Watch

Adolescents Are Not Competent to Stand Trial 69 MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice Minors Are Not as Blameworthy as Adults

In what follows this definition will be assumed. Some think it obvious that children do have rights and believe that the only interesting question is whether children possess all and only those rights which adults possess. Others are sceptical believing that given the nature both of rights and of children it is wrong to think of children as right-holders. One background worry against which such scepticism may be set is a currently oft-expressed concern at the proliferation of rights. Rights are, so it is alleged, now promiscuously ascribed in two ways. First, the list of right-holders has been extensively lengthened. Second, many more demands are expressed as rights claims. The concern is properly understood as one that the prodigality of rights attributions is damaging to the cause of rights. If you give away too many rights they may cease to have the value and significance they once had, and ought still to have. A favoured metaphor in this context is monetary: That currency is indeed precious for it is almost universally accepted that rights, insofar as they exist, are things whose possession is of very great advantage to their owners. There are, however, more particular reasons for being suspicious of the idea that children have rights. To appreciate these it is necessary to be clearer about the language of rights. With respect to rights in general we can inquire as to what it is for someone to have a right, or, put another way, we can ask what being a right-holder consists in. There are here two competing accounts, one of which is seen as fatal to the idea of children as right-holders. We can ask a different question, namely what must be true for there to be rights. We can also construct a taxonomy of the different kinds of rights. Finally we can ask what the moral significance of having a right is, or what weight rights have. Others believe the possession of rights to be a weighty consideration but not so weighty as to outbalance every other moral claim. With regard to any acknowledged right we can identify it by means of its content what is it a right to? Some believe that rights never conflict. But, if they do, we need to know which right should have priority. Not all of these questions are relevant when we want to focus on the particular issue of whether or not children have rights, and, if so, which ones. However the first question raised above is especially salient. What is it for someone to have a right? Here there are two competing theories whose respective virtues and vices have been extensively debated without either gaining evident or agreed supremacy. In one camp is the will or choice theory Hart ; Sumner ; Steiner ; in the opposing camp is the welfare or interest theory MacCormick ; Raz ; Kramer The first theory sees a right as the protected exercise of choice. In particular to have a right is to have the power to enforce or waive the duty of which the right is the correlative. What it means, on this theory, for me to have the right to education is for me to have the option of enforcing the duty of some other person or persons to provide me with an education, or to discharge them from the responsibility of doing so. The second theory sees a right as the protection of an interest of sufficient importance to impose on others certain duties whose discharge allows the right-holder to enjoy the interest in question. What it means, on this theory, to have a right to education is for me to have an interest in being educated which is so important that others are under an enforceable duty to provide me with an education. It is natural to think that each theory is more appropriate for certain kinds of rights. The will theory fits rights actively to do things to speak, to associate with others whereas the interest theory fits rights passively to enjoy or not to suffer things to receive health care, not to be tortured. However the distinction between the theories of what it is to have a right is not the distinction between different kinds of rights, even if there are important relations between the two distinctions. The will and the interest theory is each alleged to have failings. But interestingly in this present context one defect of the will theory is its exclusion of some humans from the category of right-holders. This is because whilst all humans, and perhaps many classes of non-humans such as animals, have interests that ought to be protected, not all humans have the capacity to exercise choice. Children along with the severely mentally disabled and the comatose cannot thus, on the will theory, be

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the holders of rights. Of course someone who is convinced of the correctness of the will theory might readily concede that the theory entails the denial of rights to children but see no reason to abandon the theory. Obviously different claims are being made and the same claims are playing distinct roles in different arguments. The claims in question can be set out as follows: Rights are protected choices Only those capable of exercising choices can be right-holders Children are incapable of exercising choice Children are not right-holders Adults have duties to protect the important interests of children Rights and duties are correlative Children are right-holders To explain 6. An important claim held by many is that for each and every right there is a correlative duty. To say that I have a right to something is to say that someone else has a duty to me in respect of that thing. The correlate rights and duties are, as it were, simply the two sides of one and the same single coin. This of course does not mean that there may not be some kinds of duties which do not correlate with any rights. Now clearly 4 and 7 contradict one another: But insofar as children cannot exercise choice and are required to do so on the will theory if they are to have rights, then it follows that they cannot have rights. If they do then as things stand either the will theory is true and children do not have rights, or the interest theory is true and they do. Or, put another way, either children have rights in which case the will theory cannot be true, or they do not in which case that theory could be true. How might the various protagonists in these debates respond to these different claims? A will theorist who did not want to deny that children have rights might deny 2. He might say that although it is true that children are themselves incapable of exercising choice it does not follow that they cannot still be possessors of rights. For children might have representatives, such as most obviously their parents or guardians, who could exercise the choices on behalf of the children. The representatives would choose for the children as the children would choose if they were capable of choosing for themselves. This proxy exercise of choice would take place only during the period when the children were incapable of exercising choice and in acknowledgment of the fact that the children will eventually be capable of exercising their own choices. In short children still have rights but the choices, which are constitutive of these rights according to the will theory, are made by representatives of the children. Now such a modification must meet a number of challenges. First, how should the representatives be selected? Think of the representation of children as like a trust. The children entrust their decision-making to their representatives who are thus their trustees. Now, second, are the terms of the trust sufficiently clear and determinate? Is it, for instance, perspicuous and evident what a child would choose if capable of choosing? Note that the criterion is not what is in the best interests of the child for, consistent with the will theory, we must appeal to choices rather than interests. It is not easy to say what some adult who cannot currently choose "because she is, for instance, temporarily comatose" would choose if able. It is even harder in the case of someone, a child, who is for the period of childhood simply incapable of making any choices. Third, how is the trust to be enforced and by whom? The representative may be presumed to have a duty to choose as the child would choose if able. If rights are correlative with duties then someone other than the representative and the child must be in a position to enforce or waive this duty. Could this be the state or its representative? These are formidable challenges but assuming they can be met it is within the resources of the will theory to accord rights to children. There are, moreover, two further responses that can be made by the will theorist to the claims listed earlier that challenge the presuppositions of the interest theory. First she might accept 6 "that rights and duties are correlative" but deny or at least significantly modify 5 "that adults have duties to protect the important interests of children. She could say that the duties that are rightly specified under 5 are not the duties that correlate with rights. This is just to say, as all rights theorists will repeatedly say, that rights do not exhaust the moral domain. What we must do because others have rights against us is not everything we must morally do. There are duties beyond those rights-correlated duties. For each and every right there is a correlate duty. This how 6 should be understood. But 6 is not the claim that for each and every duty there is a correlate right. So we should, as adults, ensure that the interests of children are protected and promoted. It does not follow that they have rights against us. In just the same way we ought not cruelly and gratuitously to maltreat animals but we need not think that it follows from this that animals are right-holders. Second a will theorist

might accept 5 and 6 as they stand but say that the rights which correlate with these duties are possessed not by the children but by adults who are in the best position to protect the children. Thus even if the duties adults have in respect of children do correlate with rights it does not follow that the rights in question are held by those whose interests they protect. Indeed it might be argued that it does not matter whether the rights are possessed by those whose interests they protect. The point can be pressed home by asking whether it really matters whether the rights that correlate with adult duties to children are held by the children or by those who would act as best they could for the children Steiner , This review of the will and interest theory has not considered other reasonsâ€”independent of the implications of either theory for the question of whether or not children have rightsâ€”for favouring either theory. Of course even if it is not such a test case there may be other considerations that tell against the will theory and in favour of the interest theory. Or it may be that on balance the interest theory is preferable to the will theory whether or not the latter denies rights to children. We may now address the further questions Ought children to have rights? And, if so, what rights should they have? Note that the rights can be moral or legal. Children do have rights in law under the UN Convention most notably. These need not be accepted as moral rights. However someone could believe that the best way, on balance, to protect the interests of children is by continuing to accord them the legal rights they have under something like the Convention. Someone might also believe that children should have legal rights but not those they are currently accorded. Conversely, if children do have moral rights, these need not be enshrined in law, although there would evidently be a strong presumption that they should.

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Chapter 5 : 7 Top Pros and Cons of Juveniles Being Tried As Adults | Green Garage

Minors are not as blameworthy as adults / Human Rights Watch Minority youth are disproportionately imprisoned / Ellis Cose Experts disagree whether juveniles should appear in court shackled / Martha T. Moore.

Human Rights Watch is an international nongovernmental organization dedicated to protecting the human rights of people around the world. The amendment would also result in juveniles being incarcerated with adults, both before trial and afterwards if they are convicted of a crime. Many of those who support the amendment do so out of a legitimate desire to promote accountability and reduce crime in Brazil. Yet the belief that the amendment would advance these goals is based on several premises that are unfounded. Another is the claim that trying and punishing children as adults will deter them from engaging in crime, when in fact available evidence indicates that this practice is likely to have precisely the opposite effect, increasing recidivism among child offenders. We will consider each of these claims in turn. But first it is important to highlight the fact that, until now, Brazil has been at the forefront of the world trend to provide broader legal protections to children. It was the first country in Latin America to incorporate the Convention on the Rights of the Child into its national legislation, via the Statute of the Child and Adolescent in , which made it a model for other countries in the region. We urge you to reject the proposed amendment. Are Brazilian adolescents currently able to commit crimes with impunity? Proponents of the amendment argue that it is needed to ensure that older children who break the law are held accountable for their actions. To the extent that there is impunity in cases involving children, it reflects a broader absence of accountability for criminal activity in Brazil today. Levels of impunity for all crimes are high. For example, less than 8 percent of all homicides in the country are solved, according to the most recent official estimates. Would trying and punishing children as adults reduce crime in Brazil? Proponents of the amendment claim that the threat of being tried and punished as an adult will deter children from breaking the law and thereby help reduce crime rates in Brazil. Yet they have provided no evidence to substantiate this claim. Instead, some have pointed to the United States as a model, where similar arguments have been used for decades to justify trying juveniles as adults. The available evidence on this practice in the United States, however, does not support their position. In , a task force made up of independent experts and government officials in the United States conducted a systematic review of published scientific evidence concerning the effectiveness of laws and policies that allow juveniles to be prosecuted as adults. One is the negative influences that minors encounter when incarcerated with adults, including the criminal mores and behaviors they may learn from older offenders. In the context of Brazil, this factor could be particularly problematic, especially in prisons that are controlled by violent gangs. This too is a factor relevant in Brazil, where only 10 percent of prisoners are enrolled in educational courses in prison despite the fact that the majority of the prison population has not finished primary school. Moreover, these socio-educational centers are required to provide drug-addiction treatment to young people, another key element that gives teenagers a chance to change their lives and reduces the likelihood that they will break the law after release. In contrast, none of the adult prisons visited by Human Rights Watch offered any such treatment and illegal drugs were generally accessible by inmates. Would the amendment bring Brazil in line with practices in the rest of the world? Yet, in fact, only a small number of nations allow juveniles to be tried as adults. In the United States, many states have recently moved to limit the practice of treating juvenile offenders the same as adults by passing laws expanding the jurisdiction of juvenile courts and increasing due process protections for children. The ICCPR and the Convention on the Rights of the Child require that children under age 18 be separated from adults if they are held in pretrial detention and also once they are convicted of a crime. In sum, children who break the law can and should be held accountable, but in an individualized manner that promotes their rehabilitation and is consistent with international human rights norms. Trying and punishing them as adults is not the answer to the public security problems facing Brazil. Based on available evidence, this practice will only increase recidivism and undermine efforts to reduce crime

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throughout the country. Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

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Chapter 6 : Is There a Secret Plan to Legalize Sex Trafficking of Minors? Feminist Activist Tells All

Believe it or not, that's the premise of a new investigation by the New York-based nonprofit Human Rights Watch (HRW), known for its exposés of war crimes around the world.

She is supportive of abortion rights, for example. But no one is served when trusted civil society institutions utilize their clout, on what is most likely an unsuspecting membership, to quietly further a "pimping agenda," she went on to say, an agenda its promoters know better than to broadcast publicly. Hundreds of feminist journalists and academics in the United States know this happened. None of the women associated with mainstream feminist media or scholarship spoke up. How long will it be the case that an anti-trafficking bill can be supported in the Senate on a 97-2 vote, where the dissent came in from the tech industry, on technicalities? If this goes unaddressed it is only a matter of time before the sex industry is considered "respectable" enough to emerge from the shadows and begin openly sponsoring a political caucus, as is the case in the Netherlands and Australia, she maintained, describing the gravity of the situation in hopes that such things never happen. She had not seen this in her previous political work in the labor movement. It was a disturbing sort of social environment. It especially resonated with her given how a "wannabe boyfriend pimp" once attempted to steer her into prostitution when she was a teenager. She had a bad feeling about it and ultimately resisted his manipulations. As the days went by it would become ever clearer that the promotion of the sex trade was a cause being backed by prominent people, and she could stay quiet no longer. Abolishing the Sex Work Myth, who exposed the draft proposal-in-process. Amnesty International then distanced itself from Fox amid public outcry. Her opinions on the issue were further bolstered upon reading even more articles in support of legalizing prostitution and more human rights advocates lending their voices in support of it, including articles speaking of "youth" in the trade. She then brought up the issue with her boss during a regular weekly phone call just days after seeing it. Her boss then reportedly drew in her breath and said: She started taking notes to remember what she was hearing. Her boss did say that she also used to be concerned about this when she first learned of it but had seen so much research that allayed her doubts. She told her that in India, when sex worker unions are empowered and organize together, they keep minors out of the sex trade on their own. Chart told her she wanted to take it elsewhere if the editorial team did not want it. She obtained permission from her editor to publish it on another radical feminist blog the following day. Follow Brandon Showalter on Facebook:

Chapter 7 : Branded for Life Florida's Prosecution of Children as Adults under its "Direct File" System

Juvenile In Justice/Richard Ross Human Rights Watch has issued a disturbing new report on America's exploding prison population, which reveals many states routinely lock up minors in grown-up prisons.

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Human Rights Watch opposed the commingling of children and adults in detention because contact with adults was almost never in the children's best interest. Children in adult facilities rarely received educational and vocational training appropriate to their needs.

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List of Cons of Juveniles Being Tried as Adults. 1. Minors will be put at risk Similar to the concern of the lawyer and families of the Wisconsin girls, young offenders are at risk of being sent to an adult correctional facility if they are tried in an adult court.