NOTICE

PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA WINNIPEG CENTRE

RE: Manitoba Youth Centre, Pilot Project

On August 8, 2016 a pilot project will begin at the Manitoba Youth Center. If a young person is arrested and detained in custody, all outstanding charges will automatically be brought forward to appear on the docket on the young person's first appearance. This should eliminate the need for the Crown to seek one day to have those charges added to the docket.

The objectives of this project are:

- 1.) To ensure that a young person is released in a timely manner, if the Crown is consenting to release in any event;
- 2.) To reduce the need for counsel to attend on more than one date;
- To reduce the time that a young person spends in remand custody (which may negatively affect CFS or other residential placements);
- 4.) To simplify process and eliminate an administrative step that is inevitably completed every time a young person is in custody and has outstanding charges which is to bring forward outstanding charges so that other releases can be revoked and a new form of release on all charges be imposed or a bail application can be heard.

We will be monitoring and evaluating this program as we go along to see if it is successful in meeting the Court's objectives and will reassess the program after several months.

ISSUED BY:

Anne Krahn, Associate Chief Judge

DATE: August 3, 2016