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Present law requires the OJJ to physically transport any child in its custody to the committing court for an in-person review hearing not more than 6 months after the child's commitment, and at least every 6 months thereafter, unless the in-person hearing is waived by counsel for the child and by the committing court.

Proposed law changes the requirement of an in-person review hearing to a review hearing via a video conferencing platform; which the OJJ and contract staff must participate in virtually.

Present law provides that a child is deemed "committed by a court to the custody of the office of juvenile justice" if he is judicially committed to the legal custody of the OJJ, regardless of where the child is physically held, including detention centers.

Proposed law retains present law and clarifies that "detention centers" are juvenile detention centers.

(Amends Ch.C. Art. 906(B)(1) and (3))