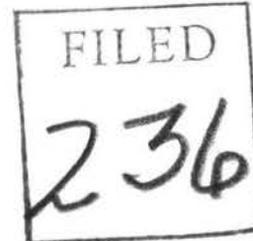


April 16, 1968

Honorable Richard J. Blanck
Prosecuting Attorney
Cooper County Court House
Boonville, Missouri



Dear Mr. Blanck:

You inquire if "guards, house parents, and correctional officers" at the Training School for Boys are "peace officers" within the meaning of Section 557.215 RSMo 1967 Cum. Supp., which makes it a felony to attack such a person in the performance of his duties.

We are of the opinion that the very nature of the institution involved would obviate bringing any of its employees under the general definition of "peace officer."

Enclosed is a prior opinion of this office touching on the subject, Opinion No. 189 (1966) rendered under date of May 26, 1966 to Honorable Harold S. Hutchison, which we believe sustains the position set out above.

Very truly yours,

NORMAN H. ANDERSON
Attorney General

Encl:

Opinion No. 189
May 26, 1966
Honorable Harold S. Hutchison