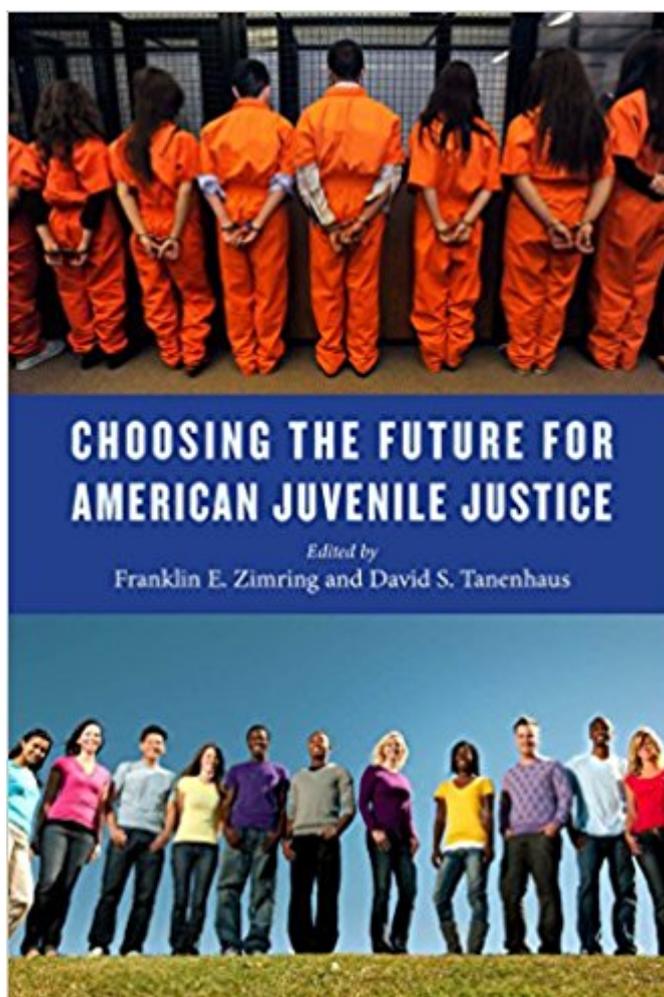


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# Choosing The Future For American Juvenile Justice (Youth, Crime, And Justice)



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