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Actions will finally ensure movement of kids out of Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake to a Type 1 facility in Milwaukee County, vetoes a package of anti-voter bills passed by the Legislature.

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers today took action on 78 bills. Among the bills signed by the governor today was Senate Bill 520, now 2021 Wisconsin Act 252, which facilitates the closure of Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake, the state's Type 1 secure juvenile correctional facility, by authorizing up to $41.7 million in bonding for the purpose of constructing a new Type 1 facility in Milwaukee County.

"For years, legislators have been talking about closing Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake as a juvenile facility while simultaneously delaying and obstructing plans to do so," said Gov. Evers. "I am glad to be finally signing this bill today that will ensure we can move our kids out of Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake safely and responsibly by providing the funding needed to move forward on a Type 1 facility in Milwaukee County. By doing so, these kids will be closer to home, their families, and their support networks, so we can set them up for better success both while they are in our care and when they re-enter our communities."



Veto message for Senate Bill [redacted]