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Sommario/riassunto	An overview of the dominant philosophical approaches and practices used in handling status offenders - youths who habitually resist the control of their parents and schools. The three basic social philosophies in responding to these youths are the treatment, deterrence and normalization rationales.