



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 912

LCO No. 4769

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:
(KID)

AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GROUP HOMES FOR ADOLESCENTS WHO REQUIRE FOSTER CARE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this
2 section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to
3 time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more
4 series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate three
5 million dollars.

6 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
7 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
8 Department of Children and Families for the purpose of establishing
9 group homes with six or fewer beds for adolescents who require foster
10 care.

11 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the
12 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not
13 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and
14 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission
15 pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the

16 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized
17 may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to
18 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not
19 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided
20 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond
21 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be
22 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that
23 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is
24 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
25 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,
26 in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this
27 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and
28 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the
29 principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and
30 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of
31 said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual
32 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State
33 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become
34 due.

35 Sec. 2. The Department of Children and Families, on or before
36 January 31, 2002, shall report to the joint standing committee of the
37 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human
38 services, and to the select committee of the General Assembly having
39 cognizance of matters relating to children, an accounting of the respite
40 care training pursuant to the contract between the department and the
41 Connecticut Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents, Inc.

42 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Statement of Purpose:

To finance more foster care group homes and to require the Department of Children and Families to report on its respite care training.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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