



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5179**

LCO No. 831

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:  
REP. WALKER, 93rd Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS AND  
TREATMENT PLANS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE CARE OR  
CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.**

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require that all children and
- 2 youth in the care or custody of the Department of Children and
- 3 Families receive uniform, comprehensive, multidisciplinary mental
- 4 health assessments at the time they first enter the system, regardless of
- 5 how they enter the system, and that clinically appropriate treatment
- 6 plans be developed for such children and youth based upon such
- 7 assessments.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require that all children and youth in the care or custody of the  
Department of Children and Families receive uniform, comprehensive,  
multidisciplinary mental health assessments and that clinically  
appropriate treatment plans be developed for such children and youth  
based upon such assessments.