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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSITION OF YOUTH FROM THE CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (a) Not later than thirty days after a child has been  
4 removed from his or her surroundings, pursuant to section 17a-101g of  
5 the general statutes, the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the  
6 commissioner's designee, shall report to the Office of the Child  
7 Advocate, the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
8 having cognizance of matters relating to human services and to the  
9 select committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
10 matters relating to children on the process by which relatives of such  
11 child were informed of such child's removal. The report shall contain  
12 no names or other information that could identify the child or the  
13 child's relatives.

14 (b) The relatives of a child who has been removed from his or her  
15 surroundings by the commissioner, or the commissioner's designee,  
16 pursuant to section 17a-101g of the general statutes, shall provide a  
17 statement to the commissioner explaining the reasons why they are  
18 unable or unwilling to care for the child while that child is in the  
19 custody of the commissioner.

20 (c) For purposes of this section, "relative" has the same meaning as  
21 provided in section 45a-707 of the general statutes."