



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6352

January Session, 2009

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AN ACT CONCERNING OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

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

1 Section 1. Section 46b-129 of the general statutes is amended by
2 adding subsection (r) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

3 (NEW) (r) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, no
4 newborn child shall be removed from the custody of the child's parent
5 while such child is in the hospital prior to a hearing held in accordance
6 with subsection (g) of this section. The court may commit such
7 newborn child to the Commissioner of Children and Families only
8 upon finding and adjudging that the petitioner has established by clear
9 and convincing evidence at such hearing that the newborn child is
10 uncared-for, neglected or dependent within the meaning of section
11 46b-120.

12 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2009*) The Commissioner of Children and
13 Families shall seek certification for High Meadows and Connecticut
14 Children's Place for purposes of receiving federal reimbursement
15 under the Medicaid program. Not later than January 1, 2010, the
16 commissioner shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of
17 section 11-4a of the general statutes, a written report to the joint
18 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
19 matters relating to appropriations and human services on the status of

20 such certification.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	46b-129
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section

HS *Joint Favorable Subst.*