



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 5161**

LCO No. 804

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:  
(KID)

**AN ACT REQUIRING THE TRAINING OF THE STAFF OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ON GRANDPARENT  
VISITATION RIGHTS.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of  
2 Children and Families shall, within available appropriations, develop a  
3 training program to educate staff about the process for grandparents to  
4 apply for visitation rights to their grandchildren who are in the care  
5 and custody of the commissioner. Each employee of the Department of  
6 Children and Families whose duties concern custody and foster care  
7 shall complete the training. Such program shall include training in the  
8 requirements of (1) section 17a-10b of the general statutes regarding  
9 notification of removal of a child from custody of a parent, and (2)  
10 section 17a-101m of the general statutes identification of relatives  
11 when a child is removed from custody.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To require the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families to develop a training program for employees concerning grandparents' visitation rights.

*[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.]*