



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 323**

LCO No. 867

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:  
SEN. HARP, 10th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES  
REUNIFICATION PLANS.**

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

- 1 That chapter 319a of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Department of Children and Families to (1) suspend a plan to
- 3 terminate parental rights if the department is also working on a
- 4 reunification plan with the same parent, and (2) proceed with the plan
- 5 to terminate parental rights only if a parent refuses to participate in the
- 6 reunification plan.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To keep families together by preventing the Department of Children and Families from pursuing a parental right termination plan when the department is also working on a reunification plan.