



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1044

LCO No. 3714

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:
(KID)

AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO CONDUCT ABUSE OR NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS OF YOUTHS ARRESTED FOR PROSTITUTION.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 46b-133 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2011*):

4 (c) (1) Upon the arrest of any child by an officer, such officer may
5 ~~[(1)] (A)~~ release the child to the custody of the child's parent or parents,
6 guardian or some other suitable person or agency, ~~[(2)] (B)~~ at the
7 discretion of the officer, release the child to the child's own custody, or
8 ~~[(3)] (C)~~ immediately turn the child over to a juvenile detention center.
9 When a child is arrested for the commission of a delinquent act and the
10 child is not placed in detention or referred to a diversionary program,
11 an officer shall serve a written complaint and summons on the child
12 and the child's parent, guardian or some other suitable person or
13 agency. If such child is released to the child's own custody, the officer
14 shall make reasonable efforts to notify, and to provide a copy of a
15 written complaint and summons to, the parent or guardian or some

16 other suitable person or agency prior to the court date on the
17 summons. If any person so summoned wilfully fails to appear in court
18 at the time and place so specified, the court may issue a warrant for the
19 child's arrest or a capias to assure the appearance in court of such
20 parent, guardian or other person. If a child wilfully fails to appear in
21 response to such a summons, the court may order such child taken into
22 custody and such child may be charged with the delinquent act of
23 wilful failure to appear under section 46b-120. The court may punish
24 for contempt, as provided in section 46b-121, any parent, guardian or
25 other person so summoned who wilfully fails to appear in court at the
26 time and place so specified.

27 (2) Upon the arrest of any youth by an officer for a violation of
28 section 53a-82, such officer shall immediately report an allegation of
29 abuse or neglect to the Department of Children and Families. Not later
30 than twenty-four hours after receiving such report, the department
31 shall commence a child abuse or neglect investigation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	46b-133(c)

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Children and Families to conduct child abuse or neglect investigations of youths aged sixteen or seventeen who get arrested on prostitution charges.

[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.]