

Testimony of Janayia D. HB-7050

IN SUPPORT OF HB 7050, AN ACT CONCERNING THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM

Joint Committee on Judiciary

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Submitted by Janayia D.

Dear Representative Tong, Senator Coleman, and Distinguished Members of the Committee on Children: I submit this testimony in support of Section 4 of HB 7050.

I was shackled when I was 16, this year when I went to court and was remanded back to detention. I was also shackled for Doctor's appointments.

I felt cage like an animal like I committed a major crime or murdered someone. It was terrible and I looked like a hot mess.

I felt that people were looking at me; I was embarrassed. I f felt they were talking about me like I was a bad person that I would not succeed as a person, that I was a bad person.

I think they should surround with talk with security instead of shackling children and teens.

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