



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 535

LCO No. 2311



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Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by:
SEN. FASANO, 34th Dist.

AN ACT ENSURING CHILD PLACEMENT DECISIONS THAT REFLECT THE BEST INTERESTS OF A CHILD.

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

- 1 That section 46b-140 of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 the court, after consultation with the Department of Children and
- 3 Families, may order that a child convicted as delinquent be placed in
- 4 the care of an appropriate institution or agency, including placement
- 5 in an out-of-state program or facility if no comparable program or
- 6 facility is available in the state and such placement is found by the
- 7 court to be in the best interests of the child.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that a child placement decision reflects the best interests of the child and that an out-of-state placement is not unfairly denied when such placement is in fact the best placement option for the child.