



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 863

LCO No. 3053



Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by:
(KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING JUVENILE JUSTICE RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENTS.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (j) of section 46b-140 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2015*):

4 (j) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the court may order
5 that a child be (1) committed to the Department of Children and
6 Families and, after consultation with said department, the court may
7 order that the child be placed directly in a residential facility within
8 this state and under contract with said department, or (2) committed to
9 the Commissioner of Children and Families for placement by the
10 commissioner, in said commissioner's discretion, (A) with respect to
11 the juvenile offenders determined by the Department of Children and
12 Families to be the highest risk, in the Connecticut Juvenile Training
13 School, if the juvenile offender is a male, or in another state facility,
14 presumptively for a minimum period of twelve months, or (B) in a
15 private residential or day treatment facility within or outside this state,

16 or (C) on parole. No such commitment may be ordered or continued
17 for any child who has attained the age of twenty. The commissioner
18 shall use a risk and needs assessment classification system to ensure
19 that [male] children who are in the highest risk level will be placed in
20 [the Connecticut Juvenile Training School] an appropriate secure
21 treatment setting.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	46b-140(j)

Statement of Purpose:

To amend section 46b-140 regarding risk and needs assessments for juvenile offenders to make it applicable to females in the juvenile justice system as well as males in the juvenile justice system.

[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.]