AN ACT PROHIBITING A FINDING OF NEGLECT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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

Section 1. Subdivision (4) of section 46b-120 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019):

(4) A child may be found "neglected" who, for reasons other than being impoverished, (A) has been abandoned, (B) is being denied proper care and attention, physically, educationally, emotionally or morally, or (C) is being permitted to (i) live under conditions, circumstances or associations injurious to the well-being of the child, or (ii) engage in unsupervised independent activities due to the unreasonable belief of such child's parent or guardian that such child is of sufficient maturity, physical condition or mental ability to avoid engaging in conduct that carries a substantial risk of harm;

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | July 1, 2019 | 46b-120(4) |