



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5923

LCO No. 2167



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
REP. LUXENBERG, 12th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF LEGAL COUNSEL IN A
CRIMINAL MATTER TO A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF
AGE.**

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to provide that: (1) Any person
- 2 under eighteen years of age who is charged with a crime shall
- 3 automatically be assigned legal counsel irrespective of the household
- 4 income of such person; and (2) no law enforcement agency personnel
- 5 may meet with a person under eighteen year of age who is charged with
- 6 a crime unless the assigned legal counsel is present with such person at
- 7 the meeting.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide enhanced legal protections to a person under eighteen years
of age who is charged with a crime.