



General Assembly

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE COST OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The executive director of
4 the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch shall not use
5 the provision of voice communication service or any other
6 communication service to a child who is detained in a juvenile detention
7 facility to supplant in-person contact visits any such child may be
8 eligible to receive.

9 (b) On and after October 1, 2022, the executive director shall provide
10 voice communication service to any child who is detained in a juvenile
11 detention facility. The executive director may supplement such voice
12 communication service with any other communication service,
13 including, but not limited to, video communication and electronic mail
14 services. Any such communication service shall be provided free of
15 charge to such child and any communication, whether initiated or

16 received through any such service, shall be free of charge to the person
17 or child initiating or receiving the communication.

18 (c) On and after October 1, 2022, the state shall not receive revenue
19 for the provision of any communication service to any child detained in
20 a juvenile detention center.

21 (d) For purposes of this section, "child" has the same meaning as
22 provided in section 46b-120 of the general statutes."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section