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Memorandum

To: Senator Sears, Chair of Senate Judiciary

From: Karen Vastine, Senior Advisor to the Commissioner

Date: February 6, 2018

Re: Proposed Language for S234/Section 8

Thank you for considering this change to Section 8. In my testimony I will describe the rationale for this language:

The Department for Children and Families, in consultation with the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Office of the Defender General, the Court Administrator, and the Commissioner of Corrections shall report on the status and plan for implementation of sections 9 and 10 of this bill, including whether funding and other resources are needed to implement the changes in juvenile jurisdiction for 18 and 19-year olds. The Department shall provide this report to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee on or before November 1, 2018, with updates provided on or before November 1, 2019 and November 1, 2020.

