

DRAFT HOUSE CORRECTIONS AND INSTITUTIONS AMENDMENT (Dr 2.1)

(Highlights Show Changes to Senate Language)

* * * Report on Secure Placements * * *

Sec. 18. REPORT

(a)(1) On or before December 1, 2022, the Department for Children and Families and the Department of Corrections shall report propose a plan to the Senate and House Committees on Judiciary, Health and Welfare, and Institutions, and the House Committees on Judiciary, Corrections and Institutions, and Human Services on to ensure the availability of secure placements and transitional housing for 18- and 19-year-olds persons 18 years of age and older who are subject to juvenile and youthful offender proceedings. The report plan shall include:

(A) both data on the number and location of current secure placements, and a plan for how current and future options for secure placements will be accomplished;

(B) a plan to provisions ensuring that the placements are available for youth going forward;

(C) a description of the appropriate services to be provided; and

(D) a recommendation as to whether dual custody with the Department of Corrections should be considered; and.

(2) The plan required by this section shall include a progress report on the requirement of Secs. 1 and 2 of this act that the Raise the Age initiative take effect on July 1, 2023.

(b) On or before July 1, 2022, the Department for Children and Families shall file a preliminary report to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee describing the

progress made toward completion of the ~~final report~~ plan required by subsection (a) of this section.

(c) If the Department for Children and Families is unsuccessful in its appeal in the case of *Vermont Permanency Initiative, Inc. Denial*, Docket No. 21-ENV-00121, the Department shall, on or before December 1, 2022, propose a plan to the Senate Committees on Judiciary, Health and Welfare, and Institutions, and the House Committees on Judiciary, Corrections and Institutions, and Human Services to ensure the availability of secure placements and transitional housing for 12-17-year-olds who are subject to juvenile and youthful offender proceedings.