

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5726

January Session, 2019



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF "NEGLECTED" IN JUVENILE MATTERS.

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

- 1 That subdivision (4) of section 46b-120 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to provide that "neglected" does not include permitting a
- 3 child, who is of sufficient maturity, physical condition and mental
- 4 ability to avoid substantial risk of physical harm, to engage in
- 5 independent activities that include, but are not limited to: (1) Traveling
- 6 to and from school by walking, running or biking, (2) traveling to and
- from nearby commercial or recreational facilities, and (3) engaging in
- 8 outdoor play or similar activities.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure, within limits, that parents are permitted to give their children age-appropriate freedoms to participate in certain activities.

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