

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6500



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: REP. YACCARINO, 87th Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING DISCRETIONARY TRANSFERS OF JUVENILES TO THE REGULAR CRIMINAL DOCKET.

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

1 That section 46b-127 of the general statutes be amended to provide 2 that in the case of a discretionary transfer, in order for the court to 3 make a determination concerning any such potential transfer: (1) The 4 juvenile and their parent or legal guardian shall participate in a class 5 or program selected from a list provided by the prosecutorial official, 6 regarding ways to resolve certain behavioral issues, and that the court 7 take into consideration the juvenile's participation in such class or 8 program when making a determination on the transfer, provided such 9 juvenile may only apply for any such class or program once during 10 any three-year period and that this subdivision shall not apply to 11 subsequent arrests during the same three-year period; and (2) the court 12 formulate its determination, with no requirement that required factors 13 for consideration be weighed equally, but that the court shall consider 14 (A) the best interests of the child in maintaining the case with the 15 docket for juvenile matters, and (B) the best interest of the public in 16 maintaining the case with the docket for juvenile matters.

## Statement of Purpose:

To provide the court more discretion when determining whether to transfer a case from the docket for juvenile matters to the regular criminal docket.