

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 126

LCO No. **549**

Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING IN-PERSON HOME VISITS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2024) (a) For the purposes of this 2 section, "safety plan" means any plan established by the Department of 3 Children and Families to address or mitigate behaviors of a parent or guardian or conditions or circumstances in a home that may render such 4 5 home unsafe for a child, by (1) identifying actions that have been or will 6 be taken to address or mitigate such behaviors, conditions or 7 circumstances, and (2) specifying the individuals or providers 8 responsible for taking such actions, and timeframes for review of such 9 actions by the department.

10 (b) When the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the 11 commissioner's designee, conducts a visit to or evaluation of a home 12 pursuant to a safety plan, such visit or evaluation shall be conducted in 13 person if such safety plan indicates that a parent or guardian living in 14 such home has a substance use disorder, as defined in section 20-74s of 15 the general statutes. This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2024	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Children and Families to conduct inperson home visits if a safety plan established by the department indicates that a parent or guardian in such home has a substance use disorder.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]