
DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to ensure that a child has a certified birth certificate and valid six-year identification card prior to being released from the custody of the office of juvenile justice.

Present law provides that the department has sole authority over the placement, care, treatment, or any other considerations deemed necessary from the resources that are available for children in custody of the department.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law requires the department to ensure that a child has a certified birth certificate and valid six-year identification card within 30 days from when a child is committed to the custody of the department and upon the child's release from custody.

Proposed law requires the department to submit all necessary applications, records, and fees to obtain the birth certificate and identification card if the child does not have those records.

Proposed law provides that failure of the department to obtain the child's birth certificate and identification card shall not prevent the child's release from custody.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends Ch.C. Art. 908(C) and (D); Adds Ch.C. Art. 908(E))