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Introduced by Representatives Wizowaty of Burlington and Martin of
Springfield

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Municipal and county government; community justice centers

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to enable community justice centers
to accept cases before criminal charges have been filed and to clarify the types
of cases that a community justice center may accept.

An act relating to community justice centers

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 24 V.S.A. § 1964 is amended to read:

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(4) May accept cases for resolution whether or not criminal charges
have been filed.

(5) May accept, in addition to any other cases which may be referred to
a community justice center, cases involving individuals who have been
charged with a misdemeanor offense or a nonviolent felony, as defined in
28 V.S.A. § 205.

1 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.