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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

## AN ACT CONCERNING JUVENILES AND MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT, INVESTIGATIONS OF CERTAIN PENDING JUVENILE MATTERS AND REPORTING OF REQUESTS TO DETAIN ARRESTED JUVENILES.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2021) (a) For purposes of this
- 2 section, "criminal act" means criminal act, as defined in section 53a-224
- 3 of the general statutes.
- 4 (b) A person is guilty of enticing a juvenile to commit a criminal act
- 5 if such person knowingly causes, encourages, solicits, recruits,
- 6 intimidates or coerces a person under eighteen years of age to commit
- 7 or participate in the commission of a criminal act.
- 8 (c) Enticing a juvenile to commit a criminal act is a class D felony.
- 9 Sec. 2. Subsection (k) of section 46b-133 of the general statutes is
- 10 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
- 11 1, 2021):
- 12 (k) For purposes of subsections (c) and (e) of this section, a child may

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be determined to pose a risk to public safety if such child (1) has previously been adjudicated as delinquent for or convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to two or more felony offenses, (2) has had two or more prior dispositions of probation and is charged with commission of a larceny under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 53a-122 or subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-123 or subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-124, or (3) is charged with the commission of a violent offense, including any offense committed with or involving the use of a deadly weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, or a violation of section 53a-136a.

- Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2021*) The court shall order any child, as defined in section 46b-120 of the general statutes, who is released into the custody of his or her parent or guardian after being charged with a delinquency offense involving a motor vehicle, as defined in section 46b-133j of the general statutes, for which such child is not yet adjudicated as delinquent, who during the pendency of such case, is charged with a subsequent delinquency offense involving a motor vehicle to be electronically monitored by using a global positioning system device until each such case is disposed of.
- Sec. 4. Section 46b-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2021*):

In any pending family relations matter or juvenile matter under chapter 815t in which the juvenile has previously been adjudicated as delinquent for or convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a felony offense and is charged with (1) commission of a larceny under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 53a-122, subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-123 or subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-124, (2) stealing a firearm under section 53a-212, or (3) the commission of a violent offense, including any offense committed with or involving the use of a deadly weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, or a violation of section 53a-136a, the court or any judge may cause an investigation to be made with respect to any circumstance of the matter which may be helpful or material or relevant to a proper disposition of

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the case. Such investigation may include an examination of the parentage and surroundings of any child, his age, habits and history, inquiry into the home conditions, habits and character of his parents or guardians and evaluation of his mental or physical condition. In any action for dissolution of marriage, legal separation or annulment of marriage such investigation may include an examination into the age, habits and history of the parties, the causes of marital discord and the financial ability of the parties to furnish support to either spouse or any dependent child.

Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The Judicial Branch shall compile data concerning requests by an arresting police officer of a child to detain such child pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of section 46b-133 of the general statutes. The Judicial Branch shall sort such data by judicial district and categorize such data based on (1) how many such requests were made, (2) how many such requests were denied, and (3) the reasons for denying any such request. Any such data shall be anonymized.

(b) Not later than January 15, 2022, and January fifteenth annually thereafter, the Judicial Branch shall, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, report such sorted and categorized data from the previous calendar year to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2021	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2021	46b-133(k)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2021	New section
Sec. 4	October 1, 2021	46b-6
Sec. 5	from passage	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To (1) establish the crime of enticing a juvenile to commit a criminal act, (2) employ other new strategies to discourage juvenile motor vehicle

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theft, (3) allow for investigations of certain juvenile matters, and (4) require reporting concerning requests to the court to detain a child made by an arresting police officer.

[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.]

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