

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 451

January Session, 2019



Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: SEN. HASKELL, 26th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDHOOD INDEPENDENCE.

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

- 1 That subdivision (4) of section 46b-120 of the general statutes be
- 2 amended to specify that a child shall not be found neglected if such
- 3 child (1) is of sufficient maturity, physical condition and mental ability
- 4 to avoid engaging in conduct that carries a substantial risk of physical
- 5 harm, and (2) engages independently in activities including, but not
- 6 limited to, traveling to and from school, traveling to and from
- 7 commercial or recreational facilities located near such child's home,
- 8 and outdoor play.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide children with greater independence and permit parents to make appropriate parenting decisions for their children.

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