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## AN ACT

RELATING TO YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS; ALLOWING THE USE OF THE JUVENILE DISPOSITION AND EVIDENCE GIVEN IN A HEARING IN COURT FOR A YOUTHFUL OFFENDER WHEN CONSIDERING CONDITIONS OF RELEASE OR AN ALTERATION OF A BASIC SENTENCE FOR A CRIME.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Criminal Procedure Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] REVIEW OF YOUTHFUL OFFENDER RECORDS.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when considering the setting of bail or other conditions of release of a person charged with an offense, the juvenile disposition of a youthful offender and any evidence given in a hearing in court for a youthful offender may be considered."

**SECTION 2.** Section 32A-2-18 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993, .202490.3

Chapter 77, Section 47, as amended) is amended to read:
"32A-2-18. JUDGMENT--NONCRIMINAL NATURE-NONADMISSIBILITY.--

A. The court shall enter a judgment setting forth the court's findings and disposition in the proceeding. A judgment in proceedings on a petition under the Delinquency Act resulting in a juvenile disposition shall not be deemed a conviction of crime nor shall it impose any civil disabilities ordinarily resulting from conviction of a crime nor shall it operate to disqualify the child in any civil service application or appointment. The juvenile disposition of a child and any evidence given in a hearing in court shall not be admissible as evidence against the child in any case or proceeding in any other tribunal whether before or after reaching the age of majority, except in sentencing proceedings after conviction of a felony and then only for the purpose of a presentence study and report.

B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this section, the juvenile disposition of a youthful offender and any evidence given in a hearing in court for a youthful offender may be considered when a judge sentences a person or imposes a period of parole pursuant to Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978 or may be presented during a hearing to consider whether to alter a basic sentence for a crime pursuant to Section 31-18-15.1 NMSA 1978.

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[ <del>B.</del> ] <u>C.</u> If a judgment resulting from a youthful
offender or serious youthful offender proceeding under the
Delinquency Act results in an adult sentence, a record of the
judgment shall be admissible in any other case or proceeding in
any other court involving the youthful offender or serious
vouthful offender.

[ $\overline{\text{C.}}$ ]  $\underline{\text{D.}}$  If a judgment on a proceeding under the Delinquency Act results in an adult sentence, the determination of guilt at trial becomes a conviction for purposes of the Criminal Code."

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