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BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 477

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after "circumstances;" insert "authorizing the court, on a certain motion and if the court makes a certain determination, to exclude the general public from a hearing in which a child is alleged to have committed a delinquent act that would be a felony if committed by an adult and to admit only the victim and certain other persons;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in lines 5, 7, and 10, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 7, strike "THE"; in line 10, strike "Except as provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection, in" and substitute "IN"; in line 12, after "adult," insert "ON MOTION OF A PARTY AND IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT IT IS CONSISTENT WITH § 3–8A–02(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE,"; and in the same line, after the first "court" insert "MAY EXCLUDE THE GENERAL PUBLIC FROM A HEARING AND ADMIT ONLY THE VICTIM AND THOSE PERSONS HAVING A DIRECT INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES. [".

On page 2, after line 5, insert:

"(2) TO REMOVE FROM CHILDREN COMMITTING DELINQUENT ACTS THE TAINT OF CRIMINALITY AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR;";

in lines 6 and 7, in each instance, strike the bracket; in lines 6, 11, 14, 18, 21, 24, and 27, strike "(2)", "(3)", "(4)", "(5)", "(6)", "(7)", and "(8)", respectively, and substitute "(3)",

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"(4)", "(5)", "(6)", "(7)", "(8)", and "(9)", respectively; and strike in their entirety lines 8 through 10, inclusive.