

March 24, 2026

Ref: HB0776

Good afternoon! Chair William Smith and Esteemed Elected Officials,

Dear Senator Smith:

Thanks to each Judicial Proceedings Committee member for considering this Bill. I am writing in favor of HB0776, that assures a child who commits such an act, which leads to the death of an individual be referred for Child In Need of Supervision (CINS).

This Bill is essential to getting a child needed support and resources that addresses the antecedent to such behavior, and his/her paradigm shift in life trajectory because of their actions. In addition, mandatory CINS will assist in addressing the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) for young people that we know impact their worldview, intrinsic beliefs and mental models. HB0076 takes the needs of a child into consideration with action, ameliorates the risk of future violent behavior and creates safer communities.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Jarvis', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Daniel Jarvis, PhD