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History and Final Disposition

LD 1779 / HP1142

Original Title: An Act to Develop a Continuum of Care for Youth Involved in the Justice System and to Develop Alternatives for Juveniles Incarcerated in Long Creek Youth Development Center. New Title: An Act to Prevent Youth Involvement in the Juvenile Justice System by Establishing a Strength-based, Discretionary Juvenile Needs Assessment Program. Presented by Representative LOOKNER of Portland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Public Hearing 05/02/23. Carried Over: 07/26/23. Final Disposition: Carried Over 05/10/24.

Original Bill

[LD 1779 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

- (Master file available on request—please include citation:cf131-LD-1779.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(CJPS\) \(05/02/2023\)](#)

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[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(CJPS\) \(01/10/2024\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(CJPS\) \(02/14/2024\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-869\) \(LD 1779 2024\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, April 25, 2023 \(H-356-372\)](#)

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[SENATE, April 25, 2023 \(S-510-537\)](#)

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[SENATE, July 25, 2023 \(S-1531-1592\)](#)

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[HOUSE, July 25, 2023 \(H-1153-1189\)](#)

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[HOUSE, March 28, 2024 \(H-1544-1557\)](#)

p. H-1548 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1551,1552)) (Amendment(s) H-869)

[SENATE, April 1, 2024 \(S-2125-2153\)](#)

p. S-2132 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p2133)) (Amendment(s) H-869)

[HOUSE, April 02, 2024 \(H-1570-1597\)](#)

p. H-1583 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1587)) (Amendment(s) H-869)

[HOUSE, April 02, 2024 \(H-1570-1597\)](#)

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[SENATE, April 3, 2024 \(S-2170-2198\)](#)

p. S-2186 (Amendment(s) H-869)

[HOUSE, April 10, 2024 \(H-1673-1722\)](#)

p. H-1714 (Remarks (in passing))

News Articles

Lawmakers, advocates push for timeline to close Long Creek youth facility (Douglas Rooks) (Portland Phoenix, 5/12/2023, p. 6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1779/Portland Phoenix 230510A.pdf)

Reform of juvenile justice is a matter of public health (Mary Tedesco-Schneck, and Moira O'Neill) (Portland Press Herald, 3/5/2024, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1779/PPH 240305D.pdf)

House narrowly oks bill to send fewer kids to jail (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 3/29/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1779/PPH 240329A.pdf)

Lawmakers push to divert youth away from Long Creek (Callie Ferguson) (Bangor Daily News, 4/5/2024, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1779/BDN 240405A.pdf)

Tackling juvenile justice, one step at a time (Erin Van Den Berghe) (Maine Lawyers Review, 4/12/2024, p. 1, 2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD17xx/nc131-LD-1779/MLR 240411A.pdf)

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