AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 159

Sponsor: SENATOR GREENLEAF

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- Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by striking out "and" and 1
- 2 inserting a comma
- 3 Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by inserting after "offenses"
- 4 and for adjudication
- Amend Bill, page 4, line 5, by striking out "Section 5
- 6304.1(a)" and inserting 6
- 7 Sections 6304.1(a) and 6341(b)
- 8 Amend Bill, page 4, line 5, by striking out "is" and
- 9 inserting
- 10 are
- Amend Bill, page 4, by inserting between lines 26 and 27 11
- 12 § 6341. Adjudication.
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- 14 (b) Finding of delinquency. -- If the court finds on proof
- beyond a reasonable doubt that the child committed the acts by 15
- 16 reason of which he is alleged to be delinquent it shall enter
- such finding on the record and shall specify the particular 17
- 18 offenses, including the grading and counts thereof which the
- 19 child is found to have committed. The court shall then proceed
- immediately or at a postponed hearing, which shall occur not 20
- later than 20 days after such finding if the child is in 21
- detention or not more than 60 days after such finding if the 22
- 23 child is not in detention, to hear evidence as to whether the
- 24 child is in need of treatment, supervision or rehabilitation, as
- 25 <u>established by a preponderance of the evidence</u>, and to make and
- file its findings thereon. This time limitation may only be 26
- 27 extended pursuant to the agreement of the child and the attorney
- 28 for the Commonwealth. The court's failure to comply with the
- 29 time limitations stated in this section shall not be grounds for
- 30 discharging the child or dismissing the proceeding. In the
- 31 absence of evidence to the contrary, evidence of the commission

1 of acts which constitute a felony shall be sufficient to sustain 2 a finding that the child is in need of treatment, supervision or 3 rehabilitation. If the court finds that the child is not in need 4 of treatment, supervision or rehabilitation it shall dismiss the 5 proceeding and discharge the child from any detention or other 6 restriction theretofore ordered.

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